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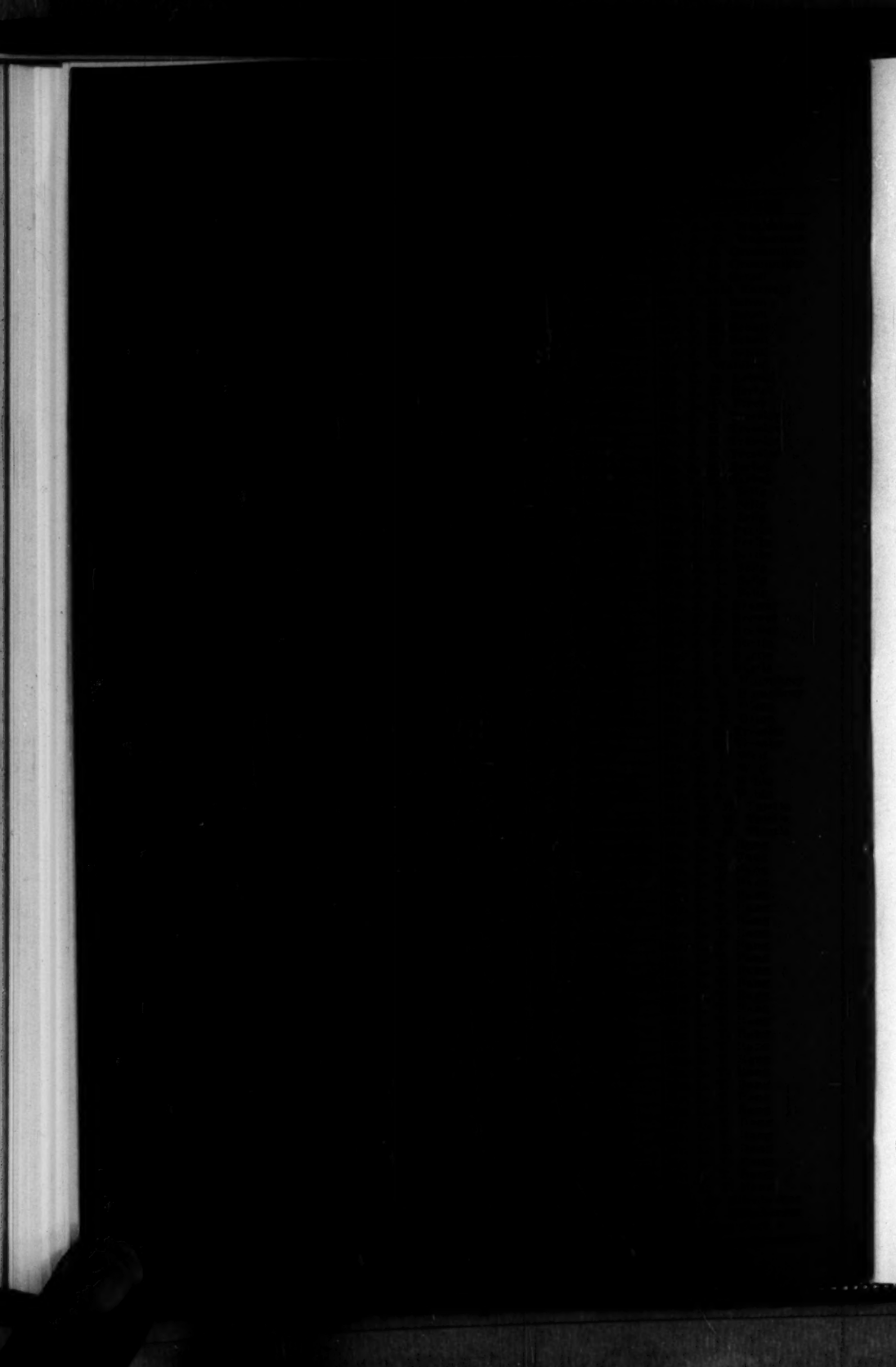

Minutes

of the Seventy-Ninth

ANNUAL CONVENTION

of the

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
IN AMERICA

Sixty-Seventh

ANNUAL CONVENTION

of the

Women's Missionary Society

Trinity Lutheran Church
The Rev. George L. Search, Pastor
Hays, Kansas

APRIL 15 TO APRIL 17, 1947

ROLL OF SYNOD—Clergy

PASTOR AND ADDRESS	TELEPHONE	POSITION	Ordained	Entered Synod
Alexander, Willard W., 206 W. Seventh Ave., Emporia, Kans.	230	St. Mark's	1935	1945
Baird, H. Vance, 901 South Fifth, Atchison, Kansas	490 and 321	St. Mark's	1938	1943
Bard, Andreas, D.D., Litt.D., 1017 Manheim Rd., K. City 3, Mo.	LO-4191	St. Mark's	1891	1910
Bell, Alfred J., D.D., 115 East South Park, Lawrence, Kansas	2565 and 1831-J	Trinity	1923	1937
Bergstresser, Fuller, D. D., 514 W. 3rd, Abilene, Kansas	1306	Trinity	1894	1926
deFreese, K., D. D., 213 East Division, Peabody, Kansas	231	St. Paul's	1916	1935
Eaton, Olney E., 322 N. Jefferson, Wellington, Kansas		St. John's	1945	1945
Ebright, Oak W., D. D., 4720 Randolph, Lincoln, Nebraska	4-2152	Supt. Tabitha Home	1919	1926
Eller, George W., 613 Mill Street, Beloit, Kansas	454	Zion	1935	1939
Ensrud, J. O., DD THD Off. Post Chap., Fort Sam Houston, Tex.		Chaplain	1912	1926
Freeberg, Arthur, Box 57, Bendena, Kansas	35	St. John's	1945	1945
Frederick, Sherman E., Valley Falls, Kansas		St. Paul's	1937	1947
Frobenius, Reno R., 216 South 10, St. Joesph, Missouri	2-8378	First	1930	1943
Gaston, Robert E., 313 North Elm, Eureka, Kansas	1025	Christ	1930	1939
Gilmer, E. Hill, 812 South 10th, Salina, Kansas		Retired	1911	1939
Gilmer, Max, 1630 Alabama Drive, Urbana, Ill.			1935	1934
Harrison, Eugene R., 1015 N. Washington, Hutchinson, Kans.	246	Zion	1932	1931
Havekost, Alvin D., 801 North 17, Kansas City 2, Kansas	DR 3090	Trinity	1935	——
Henning, Wilfred H., Waterville, Kansas	58	St. Mark's and First	1945	1945
Jensen, Samuel W., 517 Lecta Ave., Fort Smith, Arkansas		St. Luke's	1941	1943
Klover, William W., 302 South Seventh, Salina, Kansas	1004 and 2150	St. John's	1931	1931
Lantz, Benjamin R., D.D., 842 Highland, Salina, Kans.		New Cambria Parish	1898	1904
McConnell, D. L., Rockport, Missouri	224	First and St. Peter's	1914	1923
McCulloch, J. A., D.D., 2710 Blue Ridge, Rt. 9, K. City 3, Mo.	CL. 4603	Retired	1898	1921
Mendenhall, Alfred L., Box 355, Chapman, Kansas	4511	Sherer Memorial	1937	1944
Naugle, Calvin J., 5007 Independence Ave., Kansas City 1, Mo.	BE 6247	Children's Memorial	1938	1945
Pett, Herbert H., Lancaster, Kansas	902	St. John's	1937	1943
Rangeler, Ralph E., 4720 Randolph, Lincoln, Nebraska		Asst. Supt., Tabitha Home	1919	1940
Schaub, G. C., Ph. D., 33 North Chapel, Elgin, Illinois		Retired	1898	1919
Search, George L., 1207 Fort Street, Hays, Kansas	649	Trinity	1932	1931
Shirck, Franklin, Greenleaf, Kansas	81	Trinity and St. Paul's	1945	1944
Smith, Eugene, Glasco, Kansas		St. Paul's	1947	1947
Stauffer, Exra E., D.D., L.L.D., 839 North Market 5, Wichita, K.	3-0763 and 3-0810	St. Paul's	1898	1897
Swan, Lightner A., 912 South Osage, Sedalia, Missouri		Trinity	1931	1946
Swihart, C. N., DD, 3449 East Colorado, Pasadena, Calif.		Retired (p em)	1902	1925
Tonsing, Ernest F., Fifth and Harrison, Topeka, Kansas	8273	First	1936	1934
Weitzenkamp, L. C., Wakeeney, Kansas		Bethlehem	1932	1946
Wiest, Charles Fisher, D.D., 503 W. 7th Street, Hays, Kansas	85	P. Emeritus, Trinity (retired)	1898	1902
Whittecar, George R., 324 West 5th, Tulsa 5, Oklahoma	3-8770	First	1935	1934
Zabel, Norbert, 4168 Maryland, St. Louis 8, Mo.			1939	1939

ROLL OF SYNOD

Laymen

Name and Address	Congregation
Alstatt, Vincent, 209 W. 24th, Hutchinson, Kansas	Zion
Anderson, H. P., 421 E. 5th, Beloit, Kansas	Zion
Barber, Ward, Abilene, Kansas	Trinity
Bumgarner, E. L., Route 4, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma	First (Tulsa)
Carr, John W., 603 Spring Street, Atchison, Kansas	St. Mark's
Coleman, Earl, Wakeeney, Kansas	Bethlehem
Halbert, E. F., Chapman, Kansas	Scherer Memorial
Hangen, Jessie, Jr., RFD., Wellington, Kansas	St. John's
Henderson, C. B., 933 Randolph, Topeka, Kansas	First
Johnson, Clarence, 506 N. Plum, Eureka, Kansas	Christ
Kreisel, Miss Lillie, R. N., Cole Camp, Missouri	United
Lampert, Henry, Simpson, Kansas	St. Paul's (Glasco)
Lee, Gerald, 3623 Everett Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas	Trinity
Mackey, H. M., Wichita, Kansas	St. Paul's
Morgan, Q. A., Route 3, Sedalia, Missouri	Trinity
Ryan, Guy, 137 North 8th, Salina, Kansas	St. John's
Scholz, Gilbert, Huron, Kansas	St. John's (Lancaster)
Swanson, Arthur F., Experiment Station, Hays, Kansas	Trinity
Tiemeyer, Raymond H., Tarkio, Missouri	St. Peter's and First (Rockport, Langdon)
Vogel, John, Route 5, Lawrence, Kansas	Trinity
Wehry, H. H., Peabody, Kansas	St. Paul's
Wilke, William, Troy, Kansas	St. John's (Bendena)

Laymen Serving on Synod Board or Committees

Name and Address	Congregation	Position
Anderson, George, Lawrence, Kans.	Trinity	Historian.
Anderson, Laurence, Wichita, Kans.	St. Paul's	Ex. Committee.
Bang, L. T., Lawrence, Kans.	Trinity	Treasurer Emeritus.
Brooks, Lloyd M., Norcatur	St. Mark'	Delegate.
Bumgarner, Elmer L., Tulsa, Okla.,	First	Delegate.
Carr, John W., Atchison, Kans.	St. Mark's	Synod Treasurer.
Danford, Victor A., Wellington, Kans.,	St. John's	Delegate.
Demmon, LeRoy, Atchison, Kans.	St. Mark's	Delegate.
Deschner, Will, Beloit, Kans.,	Zion	Camp Committee.
Dunn, Elmer, Wichita, Kans.,	St. Paul's	Delegate.
Durham, Kenneth, Lawrence, Kans.,	Trinity	Delegate.
Easterday, Wayne, Topeka, Kans.,	First	Delegate.
Goodheart, Mrs. Ralph, Bunkerhill, Kans.	Mt. Zion	Delegate.
Goult, A. H., Kansas City, Mo.	Ch. Mem.	Home Missions Committee.
Grittman, Albert, Glasco, Kans.	St. Paul's	Delegate & Ex. Committee.
Harkness, Charles Jr., Greenleaf, Kans.	Trinity	Delegate & Statistician.
Henne, Francis, Roxbury, Kans. (Mentor)	St. Paul's	Delegate.
Kloepper, Fred, Lancaster, Kans.	St. John's	Midland Board.
Lee, Gerald, Kansas City, Kans.	Trinity	Delegate & Midland Board.
McCarty, Thomas, Kansas City, Mo.	Ch. Mem.	Delegate.
Nelson, Clyde, Beloit, Kans.	Zion	Delegate.
Niedens, Alex, Wakeeney, Kans.	Bethlehem	Delegate.
Olson, Henry, Eureka, Kans.	Christ's	Delegate.
Ryan, Guy, Salina, Kans.	St. John's	Delegate & Min. Ed. Committee.
Sanborn, Austin, Chapman, Kans.	Sherer Memorial	Delegate and Tabitha Board.
Schad, Mrs. Raymond, Topeka, Kans.	First	Parish Ed. Committee.
Slack, Norman, Ft. Smith, Ark.	St. Luke's	Delegate
Spade, Mrs. Laura, Emporia, Kans.	St. Mark's	Delegate.
Speer, Paul, Rockport, Mo.	First	Delegate.
Swanson, A. F., Hays, Kans.	Trinity	Delegate and Home Missions Committee.
Tonsing, Mrs. R. L., Wichita, Kans.	St. Paul's	Parish Ed. Committee.

Directory of the Synod

President

Rev. George L. Search, 1207 Fort Street, Hays, Kansas.

Secretary

Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing, Fifth and Harrison, Topeka, Kansas.

Treasurer

Mr. John W. Carr, 603 Spring, Atchison, Kansas.

Treasurer Emeritus

Mr. Louis T. Bang, 115 E. South Park, Lawrence, Kansas.

Statistician

Mr. Charles Harkness, Jr., Greenleaf, Kansas.

Historian

Mr. George Anderson, RFD 4, Lawrence, Kansas.

Editor and Reporter to the Lutheran

Rev. Robert E. Gaston, 313 N. Elm, Eureka, Kans.

Rural Work

Rev. Wilfred Henning, Waterville, Kansas.

Midland Assembly

Rev. Franklin Shirek, Greenleaf, Kansas.

Necrologist

Rev. Herbert Pett, Lancaster, Kansas.

Kansas Council of Churches

Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D.D., 115 E. South Park, Lawrence, Kans.

Oklahoma Council of Churches

Rev. George G. Whittecar, 324 W. Fifth, Tulsa 5, Okla.

Conference Presidents

Rev. Samuel W. Jensen (South)
Rev. Alvin D. Havekost (East)
Rev. Alfred L. Mendenhall (West)

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Rev. Ernest F. Tonsing
Mr. John W. Carr
Rev. Samuel W. Jensen
Rev. Alvin D. Havekost
Rev. Alfred Mendenhall
Mr. Kenneth Durham
Mr. Laurence Anderson
Mr. Albert Grittman

Tabitha Home

Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D. D., 1949
Mr. Austin Sanborn, 1948

Midland College

Rev. Reno Frobenius, 1948
Mr. Fred Kloepper, 1948
Rev. William W. Klover, 1949
Mr. Gerald Lee, 1949
Rev. George L. Search (Ex Officio)

Home Missions

Rev. Reno Frobenius, 1950
Rev. George Whittecar, 1948
Rev. Willard W. Alexander, 1949
Mr. A. H. Goult, 1948
Mr. A. F. Swanson, 1949

Examining

Rev. Ezra Stauffer, D.D., Convenor, 1948
Rev. Samuel W. Jensen, 1949
Rev. J. A. McCulloch, 1948
Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, D.D., 1949
Rev. L. C. Weitzenkamp, 1950
Rev. Arthur Freeberg, 1950

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga

(Expires Oct. 1, 1947)
Rev. George W. Eller, Chairman
Rev. Wilfred Henning
Rev. Alfred Mendenhall
Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D. D.
Mr. Will Deschner

Constitution

Rev. Eugene Smith
Rev. E. Hill Gilmer

Foreign Missions

Rev. Arthur Freeberg
Rev. Sherman E. Frederick

League

Rev. George R. Whittecar
Rev. H. Vance Baird

Pensions

Rev. Klaas de Freese
Rev. K. deFreese, D.D.

Ministerial Education

Rev. William W. Klover
Rev. Benjamin R. Lantz, D.D.
Mr. Guy Ryan

Parish Education

Rev. Alvin D. Havekost
Rev. Franklin Shirck
Mrs. Robert Tonsing

Protocol

Rev. K. deFreese, D.D.
Rev. Olney Eaton

Publications

Rev. Calvin J. Naugle

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Rev. Charles F. Weist, D.D.

Lutheran Youth Camp

Luther League Executive Committee
Parish Education Committee
Chairman, Wa-Shun-Ga Committee

THE 1947 APPORTIONMENT

For United Lutheran Church	$3.00
For Midland College	1.30
For Tabitha Home	.15
For Home Missions	.45
For Kansas Synod Lutheran	.10
For Ministerial Education	.10
For Synod Treasury	.40
Basis per Communing Member	$5.50

Congregation	Members	Apportionment
Abilene, Trinity	237	$1331.00
Atchison, St. Mark's	353	1941.50
Bendena, St. John's	133	731.50
Beloit, Zion	119	654.50
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	90	495.00
Cole Camp, United	75	412.50
Emporia, St. Mark's	181	995.50
Eureka, Christ's	128	704.00
Fort Smith, St. Luke's	59	324.50
Glasco, St. Paul's	113	621.50
Greenleaf, Trinity	57	313.50
Greenleaf, St. Paul's	51	280.50
Hays, Trinity	137	753.50
Hutchinson, Zion's	201	1105.50
Kansas City, Ch. Mem.	219	1204.50
Kansas City, St. Mark's	350	1925.00
Kansas City, Trinity	268	1474.00
Lancaster, St. John's	154	847.00
Langdon, St. Peter's	99	544.50
Lawrence, Trinity	645	3547.50
New Cambria, St. Paul's	28	154.00
New Cambria, Peace	42	231.00
Norcatur, St. Mark's	15	82.50
Peabody, St. Paul's	120	660.00
Rockport, First	232	1276.00
Salina, St. John's	664	3652.00
Sedalia, Trinity	94	517.00
St. Joseph, First	546	3003.00
Topeka, First	206	1133.00
Tulsa, First	333	1831.50
Valley Falls, St. Paul's	49	269.50
Wakeeney, Bethlehem	130	715.00
Waterville, St. Mark's	132	726.00
Waterville, First	18	99.00
Wellington, St. John's	72	396.00
Wichita, St. Paul's	592	3256.00
Wilson, Excelsior	59	324.50
TOTAL	7006	$38533.00

Bunkerhill, Mt. Zion, Long Island, St. Paul's, Perth, St. James, No Members—No Apportionment.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES
For the Year Ending December 31, 1946
First — Southern or Wichita Conference

Index Number	Pastoral Charge (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	Address or Geographical Location	COUNTY	Population	Pastor As of December 31, 1946	Language Used	MEMBERSHIP BAP. Number of Members	BAP. Net Gain	BAP. Net Loss	CONF. Number of Members	CONF. Net Gain	CONF. Net Loss	COM. Number of Members	COM. Net Gain	COM. Net Loss
1	Emporia	St. Mark's	1884	7th & Constitution	Lyon	x	W. W. Alexander	E	437	27	...	244	14	...	181	37	...
2	Eureka	Christ's	1873	320 N. Elm	Greenwood	†	Robert E. Gaston	E	409	13	...	285	8	...	128	18	...
3	Fort Smith, Ark.	St. Luke's	1929	May & Alabama Aves.	Sebastian	§	Samuel W. Jensen	E	169	...	8	133	...	12	59	...	3
4	Hutchinson	Zion's	1888	11th & Washington	Reno	§	Eugene R. Harrison	E	468	56	...	326	29	...	201	29	...
5	Peabody	St. Paul's	1887	Sycamore & Division	Marion	*	K. de Freese, D.D.	E	467	10	...	311	4	...	120	...	...
6	Perth	St. Jame's	1887	Perth	Sumner	0	Vacant	E	33			32			0		
7	Tulsa, Okla.	First Lutheran	1909	324 W. 5th	Tulsa	‡	George R. Whittecar	E	708	71	...	526	43	...	333	52	...
8	Wellington	St. John's	1888	322 N. Jefferson	Sumner	†	Olney E. Eaton	E	158	6	...	127	4	...	72	13	...
9	Wichita	St. Paul's	1909	839 N. Market	Sedgwick	‡	E. E. Stauffer, D.D.	E	1311	90	...	888	56	...	592		...
							1st. Conference Totals		4160	273	8	2872	158	12	1686	149	3

Second — Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison	St. Mark's	1868	6th & Park	Atchison	x	H. Vance Baird	E	764	...	111	506	...	98	353	...	47
2	Bendena	St. John's	1913	Bendena	Doniphan	0	C. Arthur Freeberg	E	442	15	...	285	8	...	133	3	...
3	Cole Camp, Mo.	United	1927	Cole Camp	Benton	*	J. A. McCulloch, D.D.	E	131	1	...	103	...	1	75	5	...
4	Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memorial	1884	5001 Independence Ave.	Jackson	‡	Calvin J. Naugle	E	571	9	...	306	2	...	219	30	...
5	Kansas City, Mo.	St. Mark's	1867	Troost Ave & 38th St.	Jackson	‡	Andreas Bard, D.D.	E	946	59	...	745	42	...	350	34	...
6	Kansas City, Ks.	Trinity	1902	17th St. & Ann Ave.	Wyandotte	‡	Alvin D. Havekost	E	438	24	...	324	10	...	268	10	...
7	Lancaster	St. John's	1905	Lancaster	Atchison	0	Herbert H. Pett	E	240	6	...	199	...	1	154	4	...
8	Langdon, Mo.	St. Peter's	1871	Langdon	Atchison	0	D. L. McConnell	E	253	2	...	172	9	...	99	2	...
9	Lawrence	Trinity	1867	13th & New Hampshire	Douglas	x	Alfred J. Beil, D.D. Marlin J. Fellner, Asst.	E	1189	121	...	905	82	...	645	181	...
10	Rockport, Mo.	First Lutheran	1858	Rockport	Atchison	*	D. L. McConnell	E	523	...	88	340	...	13	232	...	16
11	Sedalia, Mo.	Trinity	1894	912 S. Osage	Pettis	x	Lightner A. Swan	E	208	16	...	162	10	...	94	12	...
12	St. Joseph, Mo.	First English Luth.	1894	10th & Charles	Buchanan	§	Reno R. Frobenius	E	1055	17	...	875	8	...	546	13	...
13	Topeka	First Lutheran	1867	Fifth & Harrison	Shawnee	§	Ernest F. Tonsing	E	442	10	...	379	2	...	206		...
14	Valley Falls	St. Paul's	1857	701 Frasier	Jefferson	*	Sherman E. Frederick	E	181	9	...	124	9	...	49	11	...
							2nd Conference Totals		7383	289	199	5425	182	113	3423	310	63

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1	Abilene	Trinity	1870	Fourth and Cedar	Dickinson	‡	F. Bergstresser, D.D.	E	452	5	—	329	—	6	242	5	—
2	Beloit	Zion	1886	Seventh and Mill	Mitchell	‡	George W. Eller	E	238	8	—	169	10	—	119	10	—
3	Bunkerhill	Mt. Zion	1872	Bunkerhill	Russell	0	Vacant	E	99	—	1	65	—	1	0	—	—
4	Chapman	Sherer Memorial	1889	426 Broadway	Dickinson	•	A. L. Mendenhall	E	159	7	—	123	7	—	90	4	—
5	Glasco	St. Psuls	1886	Glasco	Cloud	•	Vacant	E	259	2	—	188	3	—	113	18	—
6	Greenleaf	Trinity	1882	Greenleaf	Washington	•	J. Franklin Shirck	E	140	9	—	95	5	—	57	—	—
7	Hays	Trinity	1878	Thirteenth and Fort	Ellis	‡	George L. Search	E	304	3	—	242	—	2	137	—	12
8	Kipp	St. Paul's	1874	2 mi. S., 1 mi. W. Kipp	Saline	0	Vacant	E	114	—	—	97	—	—	28	—	—
9	Long Island	St. Paul's	1886	Long Island	Phillips	0	Vacant	E	56	—	—	29	—	—	0	—	13
10	Marysville	First	1874	6 mi. W., 1 mi. S. Marysville	Marshall	0	Wilfred H. Henning	E	56	—	6	52	—	5	18	—	3
11	New Cambria	Peace	1875	New Combria	Saline	0	Vacant	E	147	—	1	105	—	1	42	—	—
12	Norcatur	St. Mark's	1888	Norcatur	Decatur	0	Vacant	E	71	4	—	34	—	—	15	—	—
13	Salina	St. John's	1873	300 S. Seventh	Saline	x	B. R. Lantz, D.D.	E	1704	—	193	1333	—	34	664	—	110
14	Wakeeney	Bethlehem	1905	Wakeeney	Trego	•	L. C. Weitzenkamp	E	422	61	—	263	47	—	130	10	—
15	Washington	St. Paul's	1886	4 mi. E. Washington	Washington	•	J. Frankl'n Shirck	E	100	—	1	80	—	1	51	—	1
16	Waterville	St. Mark's	1871	Waterville	Marshall	•	Wilfred H. Henning	E	349	5	—	291	4	—	132	—	—
17	Wilson	Excelsior	1886	7 mi. E., 1 mi. N. Wilson	Ellsworth	0	Charles F. Weist, D.D.	E	156	—	1	123	—	2	59	—	1
							3rd Conference Totals		4826	104	203	3618	76	52	1897	47	140
							Totals Cong. Pas. Vac.										
							1946 40 30 —		16369	—	—	11915	—	—	7006	—	—
							1945 40 28 —		16113	—	—	11676	—	—	6706	—	—
							Increase — 2 —		256	—	—	239	—	—	300	—	—

POPULATION:

‡ Over 100,000
§ 25,000 to 100,000
x 10,000 to 25,000
† 2,500 to 10,000
• 500 to 2,500
0 Under 500

First — Southern or Wichita Conference

Index Number	Name of Place	MEMBERSHIP																					EDUCATION																
		CHILD MEMBERS													ADULT MEMBERS								PARISH													Higher			
					Accessions			Losses							Accessions					Losses			Sunday Schools				Weekday Schools			Child of Ch									
		Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Certificate	Total	Tran. by Con.	By Death	By Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	Baptism	Confirm.	Certificate	Restoration	Total	Death	Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Number	Staff Member	In Sunday School	In Home dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	Leaders	Pupils	Catechumens	In Luth. Sem.	In other Luth. Inst.	In Non-Luth. Inst.			
1	Emporia, St. Mark's	437	244	181	14	...	14	1	...	...	...	1	13	...	3	18	12	...	33	7	12	..	19	1	12	66	6	13	1	5	42	5	42	21	..	..	6			
2	Eureka, Christ's	409	285	128	7	...	7	...	...	2	...	2	5	...	5	6	2	1	14	2	4	...	6	1	8	62	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	11	..	..	14			
3	Fort Smith, St. Luke's	169	133	59	6	...	6	...	...	2	...	2	4	...	1	2	1	...	4	1	13	2	16	1	10	56	..	8	1	7	58	...	...	12	..	..	..			
4	Hutchinson, Zion's	468	326	201	30	4	34	7	...	...	...	7	27	...	6	13	18	1	38	1	8	...	9	1	12	150	..	...	1	5	40	...	...	19	..	2	5			
5	Peabody, St. Paul's	467	311	120	9	2	11	4	...	1	...	5	6	...	4	4	6	...	14	4	6	...	10	1	12	108	5	16	...	...	...	...	...	8	..	..	6			
6	Perth, St. James	33	32	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...			
7	Tulsa, First Lutheran	708	526	333	26	14	40	6	1	5	...	12	28	...	11	9	35	23	78	3	20	12	35	1	30	236	15	58	2	8	20	...	...	70	..	2	15			
8	Wellington, St. John's	158	127	72	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	5	1	...	6	1	1	...	2	1	11	31	..	6	...	...	...	...	...	3	..	..	4			
9	Wichita, St. Paul's	1311	888	592	37	27	64	14	...	16	...	30	34	...	9	27	47	9	92	3	...	33	36	1	22	365	..	77	1	14	70	...	...	49	..	1	23			
	First Conference Totals	4160	2872	1686	131	47	178	32	1	26	...	59	119	...	39	84	122	34	279	22	64	47	133	8	117	1075	26	187	6	39	230	5	42	193	..	5	73			

Second — Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison, St. Mark's	764	506	353	35	2	37	10	...	7	33	50	..	13	2	21	9	...	32	33	97	..	130	1	31	270	3	31	2	2	194	...	...	28	..	2	31			
2	Bendena, St. John's	442	285	133	4	3	7	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	3	3	6	...	12	3	...	1	4	1	11	125	12	20	...	...	...	...	...	6	..	..	6			
3	Cole Camp, United	131	103	75	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	...	3	2	2	...	4	1	8	52	..	...	1	3	32	...	...	4	..	..	..			
4	Kan. City, Children's Mem.	571	306	219	17	4	21	4	..	2	8	14	7	...	9	11	12	6	38	1	4	31	36	1	21	158	..	...	1	7	45	...	...	21	..	..	5			
5	Kansas City, St. Mark's	946	745	350	18	...	18	1	...	...	...	1	17	...	7	51	18	...	76	10	22	2	34	1	25	317	..	30	...	...	...	...	...	18	..	1	26			
6	Kansas City, Trinity	438	324	268	17	7	24	5	...	5	...	10	14	...	2	5	10	9	26	3	10	3	16	1	31	160	14	32	1	14	75	...	...	11	1	..	15			
7	Lancaster, St. John's	240	199	154	8	...	8	...	...	1	...	1	7	...	...	1	2	...	3	...	4	...	4	1	12	95	..	18	...	...	...	1	20	3	..	..	1			
8	Langdon, St. Peter's	253	172	99	5	2	7	5	...	...	9	14	...	7	5	5	4	...	14	2	...	3	5	1	9	80	..	11	...	...	...	...	...	14	..	..	..			
9	Lawrence, Trinity	1189	905	645	46	12	58	14	1	3	1	19	39	...	35	30	49	...	114	6	22	4	32	1	41	435	..	95	1	13	102	...	...	65	..	4	37			
10	Rockport, First Lutheran	523	340	232	16	...	16	4	...	...	87	91	...	75	10	4	4	...	18	1	2	28	31	1	10	220	..	47	...	...	...	...	...	18	1	1	1			
11	Sedalia, Trinity	208	162	94	5	9	14	7	...	...	1	8	6	...	3	12	5	...	20	3	2	5	10	1	8	52	..	8	...	...	...	3	16	15	..	..	1			
12	St. Jo., First Eng. Luth.	1055	875	546	17	10	27	8	...	5	5	18	9	...	12	17	23	3	55	18	28	1	47	1	30	420	18	32	...	...	...	6	32	17	2	2	23			
13	Topeka, First Lutheran	442	379	206	5	3	8	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	1	...	12	1	14	3	5	4	12	1	23	86	..	14	...	...	...	...	...	8	..	..	15			
14	Valley Falls, St. Paul's	181	124	49	...	4	4	4	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	6	3	...	9	...	...	...	...	1	7	50	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	..	..	..			
	Second Conference Totals	7383	5425	3423	195	56	251	62	1	23	144	230	116	95	89	166	160	19	434	85	198	82	365	14	267	2520	47	338	6	39	448	10	68	234	4	10	161			

Third — Western or Salina Conference

Index Number	Name of Place	MEMBERSHIP																								EDUCATION															
					CHILD MEMBERS										ADULT MEMBERS											PARISH															
					Acces'ns			Losses							Accessions					Losses						Sunday Schools			Wkdy. Schls.		Child. of Ch.		Higher									
		Baptised	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Certificate	Total	Trans. by Con.	By Death	By Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	Baptism	Confirmation	Certificate	Restoration	Total	Death	Certificate	Dismissal	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	Leaders	Pupils	Catechumens	In Luth. Sem.	In oth. Lu. In.	In Non-Luth. In.					
1	Abilene, Trinity	452	329	242	11		11						11		3	8	9	5	25	6	10	15	31	1	20	115	20	45						15			18				
2	Beloit, Zion	238	169	119	2	2	4	3	1	1	1	6		2		3	13		16	2	3	1	6	1	11	70		9						15		1	5				
3	Bunkerhill, Mt. Zion	99	65	0																1			1																		
4	Chapman, Sherer Memorial	159	123	90	2	2	4	4				4				4	4	2	10	1	1	1	3	1	20	75		16				4	30	5			1				
5	Glasco, St. Paul's	259	188	113	4		4	5				5		1		5			5	1	1		2	1	18	70								5			3				
6	Greenleaf, Trinity	140	95	57	2	4	6	2				2	4			3	4		7	2			2	1	8	70			1	1	9	2	18	5			3				
7	Hays, Trinity	304	242	137	8	1	9	1		2	1	4	5			2	4	10	16	1	17		18	1	12	75		20						9			10				
8	Kipp, St. Paul's	114	97	28																				1	6	30															
9	Long Island, St. Paul's	56	29	0																														3							
10	Marysville, First	56	52	18				1				1		1		1			1		6		6	1	3	18								1							
11	New Cambria, Peace	147	105	42																1			1	1	8	65															
12	Norcatur, St. Mark's	71	34	15	4		4						4											1	10	40											3				
13	Salina, St. John's	1704	1333	664	59	9	68	16		13	198	227		159	23	28	28	6	85	10	37	72	119	1	44	250		58				8	58	24			41				
14	Wakeeney, Bethlehem	422	263	130	11	14	25	11				11	14			2	21	30	1	54	3		4	7	1	11	123		25	1	6	54			29		1	3				
15	Washington, St. Paul's	100	80	51												2				2	2	1		3	1	5	35								4							
16	Waterville, St. Mark's	349	291	132	9		9	6		2		8	1		1	8	4		13	3	6		9	1	13	47								10			5				
17	Wilson, Excelsior	156	123	59	1		1						1				1		1	2	1		3	1	17	50		6						5			4				
	Third Conference Totals	4826	3816	1897	113	32	145	49	1	18	200	268	40	163	31	83	97	24	235	35	83	93	211	15	206	1133	20	179	2	7	63	14	106	150			60				
	1946	16369	11915	7006	439	135	574	143	3	67	344	557	17		159	333	379	77	948	142	345	222	709	37	590	4728	93	704	14	85	741	29	216	557	4	1	334				
	1945	16113	11676	6706	264	118	382	138	9	37	39	223	159		83	203	270	78	634	112	218	248	578	37	573	4664	62	619	7	41	517	37	254	341	2	14	58				
	Increase	256	239	300	175	17	192	5		30	305	334			76	130	109		314	30	127		131		17	64	31	85	7	44	224			216	2	3	176				
	Decrease								6				142					1				26										8	38								

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		Men's		Wom.		Mixed		Young People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY						Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE									
																			Unapportioned						Apportion			
		Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Mis.	Social Missions	Other Benevolnect	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total
1	Emporia	1	20	3	98					20000	3500		5000		28500		4678		4678	122	26	72	75	348	643	792	792	1435	6113
2	Eureka	1	30	1	94			1	14	73500	5000				78500		2787	30	2817	486	133		63	157	839	605	182	1021	3838
3	Ft. Smith, Ar.			2	20			1	8	12000	6000	4000	2536		24536	7388	2411	533	2944	6	124		35	227	392	341	343	735	3679
4	Hutchinson	1	25	1	40	1	60			45000	5000			2000	52000		4871	4067	8938	5	48	33	76	1160	1322	946	1195	2517	11455
5	Peabody	1	34	3	61	1	25	1	16	52300	3500				55800		3519	539	4058	157	140	125	52		474	660	660	1134	5192
6	Perth									1500	800				2300													
7	Tulsa, Okla.	1	25	1	75			2	60	35000	5000			12519	52519		8379	181	8560		116		97	2050	2263	1546	1546	3809	12369
8	Wellington	1	9	2	38			1	11	4000	4000	3000	1708		12708		2113	456	2569				50	139	189	325	328	517	3086
9	Wichita	1	68	3	148			4	59	23000	10000	10000		18180	61180		10620	2896	13516	1545	683	240	825	2235	5528	3256	3417	8945	22461
	Totals	7	211	16	574	2	85	10	168	266300	42800	17000	9244	32699	368043	7388	39378	8702	48080	2321	1270	470	1273	6316	11650	8471	8463	20113	68193

Second — Eastern or Topeka Conference

1	Atchison	1	25	3	95			2	51	50000	7000			1275	58275		6397	848	7245	127	80		166	1188	1561	2200	1811	3072	10317
2	Bendena			3	71	1	12	1	30	20000	2000		4000	750	26750	1275	3239	1598	4837	2	39			950	991	715	720	1711	6548
3	Cole Camp			1	13					12000	4250			391	16641		1396	175	1571		16		18	479	513	385	385	898	2469
4	K. C., Mo.,	1	30	4	88			1	10	30000	2000			2253	34253		7572		7572	341	25		194	1652	2212	1039	1072	3284	10856
5	K. C., Mo.,			7	264			2	25	200000	10000	20000			230000		19270	5045	24315	150	150	105	427	1847	2679	1738	1753	4432	28747
6	K. C., Kan.,	1	25	3	70	1	15	2	30	85000	15000				100000	31640	5070	2148	7218	238	264		74	324	900	1419	1209	2109	9327
7	Lancaster	1	20	2	50	2	40	1	35	6000	3500				9500		2125	316	2441		103		249		352	825	432	784	3225
8	Langdon, Mo.			1	22					5000					5000		1601		1601	111			332	108	551	534	562	1113	2714
9	Lawrence	1	40	11	256	1	40	5	225	86014	11957				97971		8713	5878	14591	1061	420	45	165	1733	3424	2552	2708	6132	20723
10	Rockport			1	24					20000	8000				28000		3133	1084	4217		167		174	142	483	1364	1368	1851	6068
11	Sedalia, Mo.			1	26			1	15	6000	4000				10000		2636	1594	4230				100	110	210	451	467	677	4907
12	St. Joseph	1	79	4	180	1	30	1	40	100000	9000		15000	5000	129000		13619		13619	1294	135		878	2327	4129	2804	2904	7033	20652
13	Topeka	1	36	3	88			1	24	30000					30000		5567	1622	7189	24	80		45	492	641	1133	896	1537	8726
14	Valley Falls			2	30			1	10	6000	3000				9000	1600	2047		2047		12		120	184	316	209	209	525	2572
	Totals	7	255	46	1277	6	137	18	495	656014	79707	20000	19000	9669	784390	34515	82385	20308	102693	3348	1486	150	244	211536	18962	17368	16196	35158	137851

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1	Abilene	1	40	3	110	...	...	1	25	40000	9000	.....	1000	.....	50000	.....	5071	...	5071	100	...	...	150	300	550	1287	1000	1550	6621
2	Beloit	...	...	2	26	...	...	1	11	6000	3000	3000	.....	1117	13117	.....	2042	1511	3553	...	15	...	3	287	305	599	407	712	4265
3	Bunkerhill	...	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	1500	1000	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	Chapman	...	...	2	55	...	...	...	...	30000	2000	.....	2690	892	35582	.....	2817	404	3221	34	96	...	50	216	396	473	473	869	4090
5	Glasco	...	...	2	48	...	...	...	...	4000	4000	.....	.....	.....	8000	.....	2374	...	2374	...	85	19	25	364	493	522	562	1055	3429
6	Greenleaf	...	...	2	53	...	...	1	8	3500	1250	.....	.....	.....	4750	.....	1291	272	1563	46	72	...	20	212	350	313	186	536	2099
7	Hays	...	...	3	80	...	...	...	...	35000	8000	.....	.....	2090	45090	.....	3767	451	4218	174	43	...	250	352	819	819	819	1638	5856
8	Kipp	...	...	1	20	...	...	...	...	7000	.....	.....	.....	.....	7000	.....	202	.....	202	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	154	40	40	242
9	Long Island	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	71	.....	.....	.....
10	Marysville	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	2500	.....	.....	.....	.....	2500	.....	268	.....	268	.....	.....	...	10	44	54	116	76	130	398
11	New Cambria	...	...	1	25	...	...	...	...	5500	2500	.....	.....	4590	12590	.....	500	.....	500	.....	.....	...	10	8	18	231	20	38	538
12	Norcatur	...	...	1	32	...	...	...	...	1000	500	.....	.....	370	1870	.....	248	316	564	.....	.....	...	41	64	105	* 83	83	188	752
13	Salina	1	32	9	437	1	35	4	99	75000	8000	.....	3400	4450	90850	.....	10452	1155	11607	322	270	38	365	1790	2785	4257	4257	7042	18649
14	Wakeeney	...	...	3	78	...	...	1	20	.....	4500	.....	.....	19564	24064	.....	2412	658	3070	39	29	...	.....	282	350	660	660	1010	4080
15	Washington	...	...	1	13	...	...	...	...	3000	1250	.....	.....	.....	4250	.....	1120	652	1772	30	35	...	58	219	342	286	288	630	2402
16	Waterville	...	...	3	105	...	...	1	5	9500	5000	3200	.....	.....	17700	.....	2785	.....	2785	85	.....	...	32	91	208	726	556	764	3549
17	Wilson	...	...	2	34	...	...	...	...	3000	.....	.....	.....	500	3500	.....	1383	265	1648	.....	.....	29	.....	.....	29	330	335	364	2012
	Totals	2	72	36	1108	1	35	9	168	226900	50000	6200	7090	33573	323763	.....	36732	5684	42416	830	645	86	1014	4229	6804	10927	9762	16566	58982
	1946	16	538	98	2959	9	257	37	831	1149214	172507	43200	35334	75941	1476196	41903	158495	34694	193189	6499	3401	706	4729	22081	37416	36766	34421	71837	265026
	1945	16	501	96	2871	3	90	28	570	1104783	164544	39200	1326	44135	1393988	45503	135680	27414	163094	9896	2953	394	3824	17551	34618	35372	33579	68197	231291
	Increase	...	37	2	88	6	167	9	261	44431	7963	4000	.....	31806	82208	.....	22815	7280	30095	.....	448	312	905	4530	2798	1394	842	3640	34735
	Decrease	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	5992	.....	.....	3600	.....	.....	.....	3397	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Proceedings

of the

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

Session One

The seventy-ninth annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States convened in the Trinity Lutheran Church, Hays, Kansas, at 8:30 A. M. Tuesday, April 15, 1947.

The Convention was opened with the Service of Holy Communion. The Rev. George L. Search, Secretary, was liturgist, and the Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D.D., President, preached the Communion sermon. Delegates and visitors of the Synod and of the Missionary Society received the Sacrament.

The Synod was opened using the Order for Opening of Synod.

The President declared the bounds of Synod to be all excepting the last three pews of the Nave.

The President's report was presented and was by motion referred to the committee on President's report, consisting of Rev. W. Wilbur Klover, Chairman; Rev. Samuel W. Jensen; Rev. Willard W. Alexander; Rev. Benjamin R. Lantz; Mr. Guy Ryan; and Mr. Charles Harkness, Jr. The report is on page 25.

The report of the Executive Committee was presented and was by motion referred to the committee's report, consisting of Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, Chairman; Rev. Calvin J. Naugle; Rev. Alfred N. Mendenhall; Rev. Olney E. Eaton; Rev. E. E. Stauffer; and Mr. Wayne Easterday. The report is on page 34.

Roll was called by Congregations and 29 pastors and 19 laymen were found to be present

Mr. Carlos Guzman was introduced to the Synod.

It was moved and carried that suitable greetings be sent to the Nebraska Synod, on the occasion of its 75th anniversary.

The Synod was greeted by Clarence Stoughton, L.L.D., who addressed Synod at this time as official representative of the U.L.C.A.

Session one was closed by a prayer led by the Convention Chaplain.

Session Two

Devotions for Session Two were conducted by the Convention Chaplain and Rev. Richard Syre, STM, gave the first of a series of addresses he had prepared on the Book of Deuteronomy.

The report of the Necrologist was presented and adopted. The report is on page 37.

Mr. A. F. Swanson, representing the Hays Congregation, welcomed Synod.

The Rev. Wm. E. Shuler, pastor of the Methodist Church, and vice president of the Hays Ministerial Alliance was introduced and brought greetings to Synod.

It was moved and carried that elections be held at the same time as reports are received.

The report of the Committee on Stewardship and Benevolence was presented.

Recommendation 1 was adopted.

Recommendation 2 was adopted.

Recommendation 3 was referred to the Executive Committee, with power at act.

The report as a whole was adopted. The report is on page 38.

The Tellers reported that a majority of the ballots cast for president had fallen to the Rev. George L. Search and the president declared him elected.

The report of the Director of Lutheran World Action was presented.

Recommendation 1 was adopted.

Recommendation 2 was adopted.

The report as a whole was adopted. The report is on page 39.

The report of the Committee on Constitution was presented and adopted. The report is on page 41.

The Tellers reported that a majority of the ballots cast for Secretary had fallen to the Rev. Ernest Tonsing and the President declared him elected.

The Examining Committee presented the following report:

> Mr. Eugene Smith is a candidate for ordination by the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States. He has the approval of this Western Seminary faculty for scholastic attainment and character. He has pssed his examination and your committee recommends him for ordination.
>
> B. R. Lantz.—Convener.

It was moved and carried that the report be adopted and that Mr. Eugene Smith be ordained to the Gospel Ministry at this Convention of Synod.

The report of the Treasurer was presented. It was moved and carried that the report be referred to the Executive Committee. The report is on page 43.

Session Two was closed, Rev. Fuller Bergstresser leading the Synod in prayer.

Session Three

Following an informal service by the Missionary Society, the Service of Ordination and Installation of President was conducted by Rev. Ernest Tonsing, Secretary-Elect. The Ordination sermon was preached by Rev. B. R. Lantz, D.D. Rev. George L. Search was installed as President of the Synod and Rev. Eugene Smith was ordained to the Gospel Ministry.

Session Four

The Fourth Session was opened at 8:30 a.m., April 16, the Convention Chaplain leading the devotionals and Rev. Richard Syre, STM., presented the second of his addresses to Synod.

The report of the committee on Reference and Counsel was presented and adopted.

"1. That Session 5, Wednesday afternoon, close at 3:50 P.M.—so as to allow a ten-minute recess before the session of the Synodical Brotherhood Convention at 4:00 P.M.

"2. That Mr. Richard West, representing the American Bible Society, be given five minutes to speak at 3:45, Wednesday afternoon."

"3. That Mr. Carlos Guzman be given not more than five minutes to speak with regard to work among Mexican people during the discussion on Home Missions, Wednesday afternoon.

"4. That the Rev. Charles Reinbrecht be heard in connection with the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, Thursday afternoon, or earlier.

"5. That the reports of the Committees on Presidents and Executive Committee reports be received during Session Four, Wednesday forenoon.

"6. That Session Eight, Thursday A.M., be closed at 11:30 A.M. in order to provide for meetings of the three Conferences.

"7. That the President be directed to push the consideration of business as rapidly as possible without unduly limiting constructive discussion of any issue, in the hope that the Thursday afternoon session might be made as short as possible.

"8. That Tabitha Home report becalled no later than 10:00 A.M. on Thursday morning as an accommodation to Pastor Rangeler."

The Tellers reported that a majority of ballots received for the office of Treasurer had fallen to Gerald Lee. Mr. Lee, rowever, declined to serve because his work would not allow him the necessary time for such a service.

It was moved and carried that Dr. Reinbrecht be made an advisory member of the Synod.

The report of the Statistician was presented and adopted. The report is on page 49.

The Tellers reported that a majority of ballots received for the office of Treasurer had fallen to John Carr, and the President declared him elected.

It was moved and carried that the rules be suspended, and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of Synod for Charles Harkness, Jr. for the office of Statistician. There being no negative vote, the Secretary cast the vote of Synod and the President declared Mr. Harkness elected.

The Tellers reported that a majority of the ballots received for the office of Editor had fallen to Rev. Robert E. Gaston, and the President declared him elected.

The report of the Committee on President's Report was presented.

> "The Report of the President has been studied by the Convention Committee appointed for that purpose, and commends most highly the efficiency and consecration on the part of the President as reflected in his report to the Synod. Seventeen major paragraphs, properly numbered, are worthy of the utmost study and consideration. With respect to the six (6) recommendations submitted by the President for consideration and action, the Committee approves I, II, III, V, and VI, Recommendation IV being disapproved."
>
> William W. Klover, Chairman.

Recommendation 1 of the President's Report was in process of amendment when the session was called to recess at 10:50. (See Session Five for continuation.)

At 11:00 A.M., Synod heard Mr. Clarence Stoughton, LLD., representative of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The session was closed with prayer led by Rev. George R. Whittecar.

Session Five

The Fifth Session was opened at 1:30 P.M., the Convention Chaplain leading the devotionals, and Rev. Richard Syre, STM., presented the third of his addresses to Synod.

The Tellers reported that a majority of votes cast for the office of Historian had fallen to Rev. E. R. Harrison and the President declared him elected.

Motion passed that the President's report and Executive Committee's report be taken from the table.

Recommendation One of the President's report was tabled until after the report of the Committee on Executive Committee's report.

Recommendation Two was approved.

Recommendation Three was tabled until after the report of the Committee on Executive Committee's report.

Recommendation Four was disapproved.

Recommendation Five was adopted.

Recommendation Six was adopted.

The Tellers reported that a majority of voters cast for Clergy Member of the Tabitha Home Board had fallen to Rev. Alfrel J. Beil, and the President declared him elected.

The report of the Committee on the Executive Committee's report was presented.

Recommendation One was adopted after being amended to read: "The 100% apportionment for 1948 shall be $5.90 per communicant member, based on the 1947 statistical reports."

Recommendation Two was adopted after being amended to read as follows:

For United Lutheran Church	$3.00
For Midland College	1.30
For Tabitha Home	.15
For Home Missions	.45
For Kansas Synod Lutheran	.10
For Ministerial Education	.10
For Synod Treasury	.40

Recommendation Three was adopted after being amended to read: "Synod shall authorize a solicitation of organizations of the Congregations of Synod for funds to underwrite the Lutheran Youth Camp."

Recommendation Four was adopted after being amended to read: "Synod authorized the Committee on Home Missions to solicit funds from Congregations of the Synod, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a reserve fund that can be used for expansion of the Church on the territory of the Synod of Kansas."

The Tellers reported that a majority of votes cast for the Clergy Member of Midland College had fallen to Rev. William W. Klover, and the President declared him elected.

The Tellers reported that a majority of votes cast for the Lay Member of Midland College Board had fallen to Gerald Lee, and the President declared him elected.

TheTellersreported that a majority of votes cast for the Clergy Member of Committee on Home Missions had fallen to Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, and the President declared him elected.

Mr. Don Morton, present as official representative of the Brotherhood of the U.L.C.A., was introduced and brought greetings from the president of the Synod of the Northwest, and from Northwest Seminary, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Mr. Richard West, of the American Bible Society, Denver, Colorado, was introduced, and explained briefly the work of the Society.

Recess at 3:50 was declared, to assemble at 4:00 for the annual convention of the Men's Brotherhood of the Synod.

Session Six

Annual Brotherhood Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, April 16, 1947, convening in Trinity Lutheran Church, Hays, Kansas.

The 1947 convention was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President John Carr of Atchison, Kansas, with approximately fifty delegates present.

Meeting opened with hymn led by the Rev. A. D. Havekost, Kansas City, Kansas.

The Office for the opening of Convention led by President Carr.

Prayer by Rev. E. F. Tonsing of Topeka, Kansas.

Minutes of 1946 Convention read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The President's Report and Recommendations were presented as follows:

"Dear Brethren:

Upon completion of my term of office as President of the Synodical Brotherhood, I find the following conditions existing:

"Dues are insufficient so as to permit only the barest minimum of organizational effort.

"U.L.C.A. Brotherhood dues are based on a calendar year. Synodical Brotherhood dues are established at the annual convention. A conflict in the collection of dues arises because of these facts. U.L.C.A. dues statements are mailed January first, while the amount of the Synodical dues is not established until some four months later at the annual convention

"Brotherhood news is being reported in the 'Church at Work' column of the Kansas Synod Lutheran instead of 'Brotherhood Brevities' in spite of a constant plea by your President for all news items of Brotherhood interest to be sent to him.

"Only one conference rally of the Brotherhood was held and that was in the Eastern Conference."

"Brotherhoods make no statistical reports to Synodical Officers except on request. New officers of local Brotherhoods are elected and no mention is made to your Synodical Officers."

"Two new Brotherhoods have been established since last convention. They are the ones at St. John's, Bendena, Kansas, and at St. John's, Wellington, Kansas."

"Your President is grateful to the Kansas Synod Lutheran for the space granted him for 'Brotherhood Brevities.'

"In view of the above I make the following recommendations:

"1. In view of the existing condition of the Synodical Brotherhood it is recommended that a committee composed of the Synodical Brotherhood Officers and the Synodical Officers of the Kansas Synod meet to ascertain whether there is sufficient justification for continuing the

Synodical Brotherhood. Said committee to report their recommendations at the next Synodical Brotherhood Convention.

"2. That the Synodical Brotherhood dues for the calendar year 1947 be ten cents (10 cents) per active member and for the calendar year 1948 twenty-five cents (25c) per active member subject to approval of the 1948 convention.

"3. That all secretaries of organized brotherhoods submit monthly reports of the activities of their respective brotherhoods to the President.

"4. That the joint dues plan be continued with the following exception: Joint dues statements to be mailed after the Synodical Brotherhood Convention.

"5. That the Secretary of this convention be instructed to send to each Brotherhood a copy of the minutes of this Convention.

"6. That this Convention go on record as endorsing the 'Continuing Objectives' of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood.

"7. That the Synodical Brotherhood establish an Evan W. Tonsing Memorial Library Fund at Western Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska. That all Brotherhoods, interested groups or individuals be allowed to contribute to said fund. This fund to be administered by Western Theological Seminary. The Synodical Brotherhood Treasurer to be designated as the collecting agent for said fund and only the interest from same to be used for the purchase of books for the Library at the Seminary.

"8. That the secretary be instructed to transmit to the Rev. Geo. L. Search, Mr. A. F. Swanson and committees of Trinity Lutheran Church our appreciation for their hospitality in entertaining our 1947 Convention."

John Wm. Carr, President.

It was moved and carried that the President's Report and Recommendations be referred to the committee on Presidents Report.

Mr. W. Don Morton, Vice President and Field Secretary of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood, was presented to the Convention. Mr. Morton presented the causes of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood and explained to the satisfaction of the convention the necessity of the new dues plan.

Dr. Clarence Stoughton, Stewardship Secretary of the U.L.C.A. was presented to the Convention and spoke briefly.

The report of the Committee on the Presidents Report and Recommendations was received. The Recommendations were voted on and carried ad seriatim, then voted on and carried in whole. The report as a whole was then accepted.

The Nominating Committee presented the following nominations for officers for the year opening with this Convention and closing with the installation of officers at the 1948 Convention.

For President — Mr. H. L. Wortz, 1542 Garland, Wichita.

For Vice President—Mr. Delbert Gerstenberger, 2000 Rhode Island Street, RFD 5, Lawrence, Kansas.

For Secretary — Mr. Marvin Johnson, 624 Grandview, Topeka, Kan.

For Treasurer — Mr. W. W. Marshall, % Home Nat'l Bank, Eureka, Kansas.

For Executive Committee for 3-year term, Eastern Conference — Mr. Lester Remley, 143 South Drury, Kansas City, Kansas.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed and the Secretary instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the convention for the officers as nominated.

No further business appearing, meeting adjourned to meet at 7:00 P.M. at the Methodist Church for the Annual Brotherhood Banquet.

LeRoy E. Demmon, Acting Secretary.

Session Seven

Banquet Program, Annual Brotherhood Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, Methodist Church, Hays, Kansas, April 16, 1947.

About 100 delegates and guests attended the Annual Brotherhood Banquet.

Mr. Gordon McCoy of Hays, Kansas, led in singing the National Anthem.

The invocation was given by Dr. C. F. Wiest.

The Banquet was served by the ladies of the Methodist Church, Hays, Kansas.

Community singing was led by Mr. Gordon McCoy.

The President introduced the special guests present.

Special music was furnished by Miss Flora Lee Brown accompanied by Miss Josephine Goodnough of Hays, Kansas.

Mr. W. Don Morton, Vice President of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood brought greetings from the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood.

Dr. Clarence Stoughton, Stewardship Secretary of the U.L.C.A., the speaker of the evening, gave an inspiring address on "Let's Be Strong."

Rev. G. L. Search, Host Pastor, pronounced the Benediction.

Banquet adjourned with all joining in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

LeRoy Demmon, Acting Secretary.

Session Eight

The Eighth Session was opened at 8:30 A.M., April 17, the Convention Chaplain leading the devotionals, and Rev. Richard Syre, STM., presented the fourth of his addresses to Synod.

The President called the Session to order.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel made the following recommendations which were adopted.

"1. That the Home Missions Committee report be the first order of business of Session Eight.

"2. That the Committee on President's Report be completed Thursday morning.

"3. That time be given for presentation of plans for the summer program at Camp WaShunGa, in connection with the Report on Luther League.

"4. That all other matters be acted upon as rapidly as possible, regardless of their places on the printed program."

Greetings from the Synod of the Midwest were brought by the Rev. Richard Syre. It was moved and carried that we send a fraternal delegate to the meeting of the Midwest Synod.

Mr. A. F. Swanson received unanimous election to the two-year term of Layman on the Home Missions Committee.

Consideration of the Committee on President's Report was resumed.

Recommendation 1 was adopted to read: "That as a Synod we accept the 200 percent Benevolent Quota for the U.L.C.A. for 1948 as recommended by the United Lutheran Church as directed by the Stewardship Secretaries."

Recommendation 3 was adopted, and the Report as a whole was adopted.

The Report of the Home Missions Committee was adopted, Mr. Carlos Guzman speaking of his work among Mexicans in Topeka. The report is on page 49.

The Report of Trustees to Tabitha Home was presented and the Rev. R. E. Rangeler, assistant superintendent, spoke briefly of the report, brought greetings from the Home and staff, and thanked the representatives for their congregations' gifts. The report was adopted. It is on page 66.

The Report of the Midland Assembly Representative was presented and adopted. The report is on page 54.

The Report of the Historian was presented and adopted. The Report is on page 54.

The Report of Editor of Kansas Synod Lutheran was presented and adopted. The report is on page 54.

The Reports of the three Conferences were presented and adopted. The reports are on pages 55 and 56.

The Report of the Trustees of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary was presented.

Recommendation 1 was adopted.

Recommendation 2 was adopted after being amended to read "$1.30" instead of "$1.00."

Recommendation 3 was disapproved.

The report as a whole was adopted. The report is on page 56.

Committee on Reference and Counsel moved to hold Conference meetings immediately upon adjournment of this session. Carried.

The Eighth Session was closed with prayer.

Session Nine

The Ninth Session was opened at 1:30 P.M., the Convention Chaplain leading the devotions, and the Rev. Richard Syre, STM., presented the fifth of his addresses to Synod.

Conference elections were reported as follows: Western—President, the Rev. Alfred Mendenhall; Secretary, the Rev. Wilford Henning. Southern— President, the Rev. J. P. Jensen; Secretary, the Rev. G. R. Whittecar. Eastern—President, the Rev. A. D. Havekost; Secretary, the Rev. Herbert Pett.

Motion passed, that nominations of Conferences for lay delegates to the Executive Committee be respected. Nominations were:

Western—Albert Grittman, Glasco

Eastern—Kenneth Durham, Lawrence

Southern—Laurence Anderson, Wichita

Rev. W. F. V. Churchill, Pastor of Christ's Lutheran Church, Ellis, was introduced as a neighbor of the Pastor Loci.

The report of the Committee on Social Missions together with four recommendations was presented and adopted. The report is on page 60.

It was moved and passed that the Social Missions Committee Chairman send out copies of the Bill mentioned in Recommendation 4.

The Committee on Lutheran Social Welfare reported that no joint action had been undertaken, but that following the forthcoming meeting of the Augustana Synod, a meeting is to be held to get under way cooperative work.

It was moved and carried that the Lutheran Welfare Committee be continued.

The Report of the Parish Education Committee was presented and adopted.

It was moved and carried to refer to the Executive Committee the sending of Mrs. Robert Tonsing to Des Moines to attend the International Sunday School Convention. The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was presented adopted. The report is on page 64.

The Rev. Charles Reinbrecht, missionary of China, was introduced and addressed Synod.

The report of the Committee on the Luther League was presented and adopted. The report is on page 62.

It was moved and carried that a letter of appreciation be sent to Mrs. William Brown for having completed a history of the first 50 years of the Synodical Luther League. The report of the delegation to

the United Lutheran Church was presented and adopted. The report is on page 62.

The report of the Publications Committee was presented and adopted. The report is on page 63.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions was presented and adopted. The report is on page 64.

The report of the Rural Work Representative was presented and adopted. The report is on page 64.

The Report of last years minutes of the 1946 convention be adopted as the official minutes of this Synod.

The Committee on Convention minutes was presented and adopted:

"We recommend that the minutes as mimeographed be considered correct with the exception of obvious errors. We recommend that the minutes of the last two sessions be approved by the Executive Committee."

The Committee on Claims presented three claims which were allowed.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions presented and adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we give our prayers of thanksgiving to God for his blessings showered upon us the past year.
2. That the 79th convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States express to the host congregation, local committees, clerical helpers, the Pastor Loci and his wife, the ladies of the congregation, our deep appreciation for the gracious welcome and entertainment given to our convention.
3. That we commend our outgoing officers, the executive committee and all standing committees for faithful, efficient services rendered the kingdom of God and our Synod during the past year. And that we pledge ourselves as pastors and laymen to assist in every other way possible the new officers whom we have elected to head our Synod.
4. That we thank the executive committee of the U.L.C.A. for sending to us as the official representative of our church, Dr. Clarence Stoughton, Executive Secretary of the Luther Laymen's movement for Stewardship.
5. That we endorse the program of the U.L.C.A. in extending the kingdom of our Lord into all the world, the bringing of help to the needy brethren in the war-torn lands of the World.
6. That we express our appreciation to the press, local and wire, for the splendid coverage of the Synodical meeting.
7. That we express our appreciation to the Board of Foreign Missions for sending to us the Rev. Reinbrecht, our Missionary to China.

The Report of the Committee on Absentees and Excuses was presented. Accepted.

Excuses were received from the following members of Synod and we recommend that they be excused:

Rev. Joseph Ensrud

Rev. G. C. Schaub

Rev. Max Gilmer

Rev. Norbert Zabel

Rev. J. A. McCulloch

Rev. Andreas Baird

Rev. C. N. Swichart

It was moved and carried that all business not covered by action of this convention be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

It was moved and carried that we continue the consultative relationship with the Kansas Council of Churches and Christian Education and that again we make a $50 token offering to that organization.

It was moved and carried that this 79th Convention of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States be adjourned and the President conducted the order for the closing of the Synod.

President's Report

Dear Brethren in Christ:

"Grace, mercy and peace be unto you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ."

I urge you, the pastors and delegates, to look forward to the 79th Annual Convention of our Synod with great anticipation. We are most happy to think that the Trinity Lutheran Congregation at Hays, Kansas, under the able leadership of Pastor George L. Search, Synodical Secretary, has provided convention accomodations for our Synod and our two auxiliaries, The Missionary Society, and The Brotherhood. In the words of the scripture, "It is good for brethren to dwell together". When the Church assembles at Hays, April 15, 16, and 17, let us look forward to the Guidance of our Lord in conducting the business of the Kingdom. Fellowship and a new desire to serve should provide genuine satisfaction. I urge you to pray for Peace and Progress in the forward moving Cause of our Synod.

I. **The State of the Church as Congregations.** The future of our Synod is dependent upon more of the spirit of Christ working through both the pastors and congregations. Where the pastors are aggressive and the congregations hold back, progress is hindered. Some congregations are trying to hold the interest and the offering support on the same level as twenty-five or more years ago. Where such Churches succeed in doing that, they contribute first to delinquency in Synodical responsibility and finally to the slow death of the congregation.

Generally the congregations have made progress in most of the affairs of the Church. The services continue to be more dignified and impressive, and methods of religious education are being constantly improved. The weakness of congregations continues as a result of there being too few members trained for responsible places of leadership in the Church and Community.

II. **The State of the Church as Pastors.** If the bond of fellowship among the pastors of Synod can be improved and strengthened, the entire Cause of the Church can be advanced with more efficiency and enthusiasm. In many cases where progress is slow in a congregation and Synodical objectives are only half-way achieved, the pastor feels that he is playing a lone gam against difficult odds. He may feel that his Church Council is not pulling with him in advancing the Cause of the Congregation and Synod. Instead of looking to his brethren in Synod for assistance, he allows the lack of progress in the congregation to hold him back.

It is true that many pastors think of themselves as forgotten men. In many situations they probably have a right to that opinion. The

distinction, however, does not make such a pastor happy or efficient.

The President of Synod is called to an office which includes the honor of being called to be a pastor to pastors. However, Presidents of Synods who are at the same time pastors of congregations, have problems to solve both in their Church and Synod and the function of being a pastor to pastors does not work as it should. Short term pastor-presidents are also handicapped in that they are out of office in many instances by the time they become useful and efficient.

It is the sincere wish of your present President that we shall be able to strengthen the leadership of our Synodical pastors by closer fellowship and cooperation in all the work of our congregations and the program of Synod.

III. **The State of the Church as a Synod.** As units consisting of pastor and congregation we are highly individualistic. We approve projects such as Benevolence, Lutheran World Action, and Midland College Forward Fund, with a majority vote at Convention. But, during the year while quotas are to be met in local parishes, the sense of responsibility drops much below 100 per cent response, and the sense of co-operation among congregations is almost entirely forgotten. If the spirit of team work prevailed, the units that are having trouble would call for help, and the advanced units would come to their rescue. Our future strength will depend upon a united sense of responsibility among all congregations to meet Synodical standards of progress and advancement.

IV. **Supply Pastors and Lay Workers Render Valuable Service.** Cole Camp—The Rev. J. A. McCulloch, D.D. by appointment has served the congregation during the past year. The congregation has met all regular and special benevolent quotas. Decided progress has been made during the year.

Glasco—The Rev. George Eller and Student Eugene Smith by appointment have served the congregation since the resignation of Pastor Otto K. Oelke.

Long Island, Norcatur, and Bunker Hill—The Rev. George L. Search by appointment has supervised the interests and concerns of these congregations.

New Cambria, Pease and St. Paul's—The Rev. B. R. Lantz, Student Eugene Smith, and Layman Leroy Rinard by appointment provided services for these two congregations. Mr. Rinard, without any assistance, served the parish from January 1 to March 1, 1947 and supervised the meetings held to extend a pastoral call to Dr. Lantz.

Valley Falls—Layman Harold Von Guntert, L. T. Bang, George Anderson, Student Wayne Barthel, and Pastor Sherman Frederick by appointment served the congregation. They have met all regular and special benevolent quotas. A fine numerical growth and spiritual development has taken place.

Wilson—The Rev Charles F. Wiest, D.D. by appointment has provided pastoral leadership for Sunday Services. This congregation and Cole Camp are anxious to secure the leadership of full-time pastors as soon as they are available.

V. **Pastors, Other Than Those Serving Congregations of Synod.** The Rev. Oak W. Ebright, D.D. and the Rev. Ralph E. Rangeler continue to serve as the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska. We are all familiar with the progress they are making in the development of Tabitha Home.

The Rev. Joseph O. Ensrud is serving as Post Chaplain in the Army at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Occasional reports show a surprisingly long list of services conducted and ministerial acts performed by Chaplain Ensrud and his assistants.

The Rev. E. H. Gilmer, who upon the beginning of his retirement period lived in Philadelphia, has returned to the Synod's territory and is living with one of his daughters at Salina. He has offered his services to his Synod.

The Rev. Max Gilmer since last September has entered the graduate school of the University of Illinois. Besides doing regular work, he is working on a special rural problem, which findings should be helpful in showing the rural church how extensively congregations influence the life of the community in which they are located. Rev. Gilmer may be ready to return to active pastoral work in June or the near future.

The Rev. G. C. Schaub, Ph.D. is enjoying improved health and is living with his son-in-law, the Rev. Harman McQuire, 33 North Chapel, Elgin, Illinois. He, too, feels restored in health and has offered his service to the Synod.

The Rev. Norbert Zabel is continuing his graduate studies in psychology and kindred subjects at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. In due time, he expects to have his studies completed and teach or return to pastoral work.

The Rev. C. N. Swihart, D.D. is living in California and is serving congregations in the California Synod. His address is 2015 Alosta on Highway 66, Glendora, California.

VI. **Synodical Assistant Pastors Aid President.** Student Harold Hamilton completed his internship as assistant pastor September 1, 1946 and returned to Western Theological Seminary to enter his senior year.

Student J. M. Fellner, a middler at Western, was called by the congregation to serve an internship as assistant pastor from September 1, 1946 to September 1, 1947.

Both of these future leaders of the Church very ably conducted the Services and preached the sermons while your President visited Synod-

ical Congregations on Sundays. They also relieved me from many duties of leadership in the Church School, Youth Societies, and Scout and Cub organizations.

VII. **Installation of new Pastors by the President.** The Rev. Ernest Tonsing was installed at a Sunday 7:30 p.m. service June 23rd, 1946 as the new pastor of First Lutheran Church, Topeka, Kansas.

The Rev. Olney Eaton was installed at a Sunday 11:00 a.m. service September 15, 1946 as the new pastor of St. John's Lutheran, Wellington, Kansas.

The Rev. William W. Klover was installed at a Sunday 11:00 a.m. service February 2, 1947 as the new pastor of St. John's Lutheran, Salina, Kansas.

VIII. **Calls Extended and Accepted.** St. Paul's, Glasco, Kansas has extended a call to Student Eugene Smith to become the pastor subject to his graduation at Western Theological Seminary and subject to his ordination at the Synodical Convention, Hays, Kansas, April 15 to 17. Student Smith has accepted the call subject to the foregoing conditions.

Peace Lutheran, New Cambria, and St. Paul's Lutheran, Mentor, New Cambria Parish extended a call to Dr. B. R. Lantz to become the pastor on March 1, 1947. Dr. Lantz accepted the call and is to be installed by the president of Synod April 13, 1947.

St. Paul's, Valley Falls, Kansas extended a call to the Rev. Sherman Frederick, Kansas City, Missouri to become the pastor April 1, 1947. Rev. Frederick accepted the call. The installation service is set for May 11. The congregation is also planning to celebrate its 90th Anniversary on June 14. The entire Synod should join in this noteworthy event.

IX. **Pastoral Terminations.** Rev. Ralph Rangeler terminated his ministry May 1, at First Lutheran, Topeka to become the assistant superintendent of Tabitha Home.

Rev. O. K. Oelke terminated his ministry as the pastor at St. Paul's, Glasco, November 17, 1946 to become the pastor of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hanover, Kansas, Midwest Synod.

Dr. B. R. Lantz terminated his ministry as the pastor of St. John's Lutheran, Salina, Kansas after a successful ministry of 35 years, January 5, 1947.

X. **Transfers Given.** A letter of transfer was given to Pastor Otto K. Oelke November 24th to become a member of the Midwest Synod, United Lutheran Church of America.

XI. **Parishes Visited.** St. John's, Bendena, Arthur Freeberg, Pastor Delivered the sermon at a Family day service May 5th and participated in a covered-dish dinner meeting which followed.

St. Paul's, Glasco, Rev. Otto K. Oelke, Pastor, delivered the sermon at a Rural Life day service May 26th and participated in a family covered-dish dinner meeting, also met in special session with the Church Council, discussing ways and means for raising the Midland College Forward fund quota.

St. Paul's, Wichita, Kansas, Dr. E. E. Stauffer, Pastor, delivered message at monthly Brotherhood dinner September 20th and gave address at annual Luther League banquet, Miss Louise Easterday, Youth director.

St. Mark's, Waterville, Kansas, Wilfred H. Henning, Pastor, delivered message to congregation and church council presenting the causes of the Synod and ways of supporting the Causes of the Church.

Zion Lutheran, Beloit, Kansas, Rev. George Eller, Pastor. Delivered the sermon message at the Sunday 60th Anniversary services of the congregation and presided over a Church Council meeting of St. Paul's, Glasco, discussing plans for the calling of a new pastor.

St. Paul's, Valley Falls, Kansas. Took charge of a special Sunday afternoon Confirmation Service at 2:30, November 17th for the reception of five junior children and four adults.

Peace Lutheran, New Cambria. visited members of the congregation, on October 28th. Delivered the sermon message on January 5th and held a special congregational meeting following the service.

St. Paul's, New Cambria Parish, Mentor, Kansas. Visited members of the congregation and talked to them about future plans for developing the congregation October 28.

St. John's, Salina, Kansas. Met with the congregation and served as Synodical advisor at their annual meeting January 15th.

Zion Lutheran, Bunker Hill, Kansas. Conducted a Sunday evening service. Visited members of the congregation and presided over a congregational meeting on February 2, 1947.

XII. Conference, Board, and Committee Meetings. Executive Committee meetings, Kansas City, Missouri, May 15, September 25, 1946 and January 28, 1947.

—Home Mission Committee Meetings, Kansas City, Missouri, June 25 and October 24, 1946.

—Kansas Conference Augustana Lutheran Synod, Kansas City, Missouri, Dr. Victor Spong, President, represented the Synod at the 76th annual convention May 4, 1946.

—Midland College Board meeting, May 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, and October 2, 1946.

—Board of Education meeting, ULCA, November 19, 1946.

—Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, Junction City, Kansas, June 16 to 21, 1946.

—Convention of Luther League of America, Pittsburg, Pa., July 11, 12, and 13.

—Camp Nawakwa, Biglerville, Pa., represented the Synod in taking the Camp Leadership Training course July 15th to August 3rd.

—Luther League Convention, Burlington, North Carolina, represented the Luther League of America, August 7th to 9th.

—Luther League of Iowa, Templar Hall, Spirit Lake, Iowa, represented the parish and Church School Board in teaching the Life Service institute subjects.

—Kansas Council of Churches, Topeka, Kansas, attended three meetings of the Council.

—Luther League of the Synod of Kansas Executive Committee meetings, Kansas City, Missouri, August 30th and Topeka, Kansas, First Lutheran Church, November 29th.

—Synodical Parish and Church school committee meeting, Kansas City, Missouri, September 24th and Topeka, Kansas, November 29th.

—Synodical President's Conference and Stewardship meetings Columbus, Ohio, March 3, 4, 5, and 6th.

Eastern Conference Rally, St. Joseph, Mo., Rev. Reno Frobenius, Pastor presented cause of Midland College and spoke before the Brotherhood and Luther League sections of the conference, October 20th.

—Midwest Region Lutheran Student Association convention, Lawrence, Kansas. Participated in the conference program October 18, 19, and 20th.

—Western Conference meeting, Beloit, Kansas, Rev. George Eller, Pastor. Delivered the opening sermon address, October 27th.

—Pastors and Laymens conference, Topeka, Kansas, Rev. Ernest Tonsing, Pastor. Presided over the conference program, November 11th and 12th and conducted a short business meeting of the Executive Committee of Synod.

—Lutheran World Action Regional meeting, Topeka, Kansas. Represented the Synod of Kansas, December 11th.

XIII. **Officers and Committees Rendered Faithful and Extensive Service.** The Executive Committee assisted me in the selection of the committees listed in the 1946 Minutes of Synod. This able staff of officers and committees worked for the best interests and progress of the Synod during the entire year. Many of them spent hours, days, and weeks, in carrying out the function of their office. The Synod doubtless is very appreciative of their fine leadership and service. The appointments following the printing of Minutes are: Pastor Eugene Harrison, assistant to the President in the collection of data to stimulate congregational progress on attendance, offerings, and pastoral service. A Lutheran Social Welfare Committee was appointed following the Conference at Topeka. The Committee is composed of Rev. Ernest Tonsing, Chairman, Wayne Easterday, and Dr. J. A. McCulloch.

The work of the committee is to keep the Synod informed on Social Welfare laws in the State and to suggest how Lutheran Synods may co-operate on welfare programs.

An audit committee composed fo Laymen Ferris Hill and Alva Myser was appointed to audit the Treasurer's books.

XIV. **Home Mission Advancement.** Progress has been made in Home Missions. The Board of Home Missions has ably assisted our Synod in working out a new re-finance program for Trinity Lutheran, Kansas City, Kansas.

The Board has also assisted Synod with Fort Smith, Arkansas. The old property has been sold, new lots purchased, and a new building plan and finance program was offered and enthusiastically accepted by the congregation and Synod.

Progress seemed to have been delayed beyond reason on the North Kansas City Mission project. All delays seem to have been caused for lack of a Mission Pastor. No pastors named by the Board of American Missions had reached the field, though the Committee was willing to have the suggested pastors start the preliminary work.

Just now, the Committee is interested in securing the Board's assistance, in financing survey work among Mexican people on the Synod's territory. Again the delays seem to revolve around the Seminary Student who is available to make the survey, but who is not approved thus far by the Board.

During the past year, a $1600 legacy has been left to the Board of American Missions by the stipulations of a will in the possession of Mrs. Sadie Gill, formerly of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ottawa, Kansas. Word from the Board states that the $1600 amount will be available to be used for Mission work on Synod's territory.

XV. **Midland College Advancement.** News has just reached me that Midland College has been granted membership in the North Central Association. The Synod wishes to congratulate Dr. W. P. Hieronymus, the Midland Board, and all who offered their assistance. Since one of the association requirements is based on financial income, I trust that our Convention will find some way to grant Midland the requested amount of $1.30 per communing member.

The other Midland objective to be met is to subscribe the Midland Forward Campaign quota 100 per cent.

As a Synod we appreciate that Midland has selected the Rev. Harvey Clark of Chicago to assist our pastors and congregations in making new plans to meet their assigned quotas. The Rev. Clark makes the following report of his work:

"There were 8 congregations which had already met the quota in full by March 1. Since that time 18 congregations have been visited. The pastors have all been very co-operative. Each situation will vary and the pastors have been helpful in attempting to adapt the program to the situation.

"Of the 18 visited, meetings were arranged with the Church Council or a representative group. In some instances the entire Council was present, in two instances only one man was present. 12 Councils voted to meet the quota in full, 7 Councils voted to make a definite effort, of these 7 there were 5 that gave evidence of making a good effort, 2 said that they would 'do something.'

"The plans varied with each Church, all methods included publicity in the form of talks by councilmen before the congregation and sermons including Christian Education by the Pastors. In most instances a canvas of the members of the Churches will be made until the quota is reached. In others, where the amount is not very high that must be reached, a letter including an offering envelope will be used. Usually this letter will be preceded by a visit of a few large donors. All pastors must be aware of the tremendous appeal of the Memorial Dormitory to honor the men who were in service, and those whose service cost them their lives. Often, a 'Midland Day' was to be designated on which the offerings were to be brought into the Church. As April is Education Month, one Sunday in April is very appropriate. There are two Churches that have put Midland on their regular budget. There are ten Churches to be contacted.

"In addition to the $17,069 received prior to March 1, on the basis of these visitations there is a reasonable expectation of $7500. There is $4700 still to be sought in the Churches that have no yet been visited, or, where a return visit to be made. With the splendid co-operation and effort being made by the majority of the Pastors and Congregations, undoubtedly, these Churches yet to commit themselves to meeting their quota in full will realize the urgency of the need and do likewise." Respectfully submitted, Rev. Harvey Clark.

XVI. **Youth Work Demands Our Renewed Interest and Attention.** A number of things have happened to improve the Synod's Youth Program. They are: (1) More mature officers were selected at the last Luther League Convention at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga. (2) A large delegation attended the Biennial Luther League of America Convention at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, July 11-15, 1946. (3) A new two weeks Camp period and in-between, over-the-week-end Convention has been brought under the supervision and direction of a central committee to be directed by the Rev. George Whitteaar. The success of the new youth camp program is very much dependent on the willingness of more pastors and lay leaders giving added leadership time. We dare not fail our new committee and leaders.

Our congregations are not as well prepared to meet the youth growth and service opportunities in their local communities. No pastor seems to have all the answers for getting results from his efforts in Youth Work. Several youth leaders have used new youth techniques and have obtained encouraging results. It would seem advisable while at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga next July for all those best plans and programs

to be discussed and brought together in such a way that they can be offered to all the pastors as aids in holding and training the present day youth for the leadership of the Church.

Synod will be pleased to learn that the Luther Leaguers have taken action to preserve their history. The volunteer service of Mrs. William (Hodson) Brown, Atchison, Kansas, has been secured to collect into one historical account the first fifty years of the Kansas Synod Luther League History. Our Synodical League was the second one organized. The New York Synod was the first to organize their League and Pennsylvania was the third.

XVII. **Stewardship Is Showing the Way to Larger Service.** The Stewardship Committee has received invaluable training by two members participating in Conferences at Columbus, Ohio. The literature made available for the Every Member Visitation was the best thus far.

Dr. Clarance Stoughton, participating in our Convention and at the Conferences to be held in the Synod from the 20th to 25th will be an added advance for putting the Scriptural principal of Stewardship to work among the members of our Churches.

Pastor Eugene Harrison has rendered a significant service by collecting stewardship data and making it available to the pastors and Church Councils each month. Pastors can make much more use of these reports if they become genuinely in earnest about raising their benevolent quotas.

Now is the time to get ready to raise the 200 per cent quota for 1948. The stewardship committee will have plans to offer us at this convention. The program will have to be backed up by not only the best plan, but also real earnest Christian faith and enthusiasm.

XVIII. **The Church in the World.** The struggle between good and evil in the world seems to be taking on gigantic proportions. The hazards to God's Cause and the approaching conflict is apparent even to the dullest and most worldly of this generation. It is somewhat distressing that the people back of the Cause of Righteousness won't work as hard as the servants of the evil one. Let us pray that the Church may be aroused and that whatever outcome, God's People will be able to give a good account of themselves.

Recommendations.

1. (As amended in Session 8). That as a Synod we accept the 200 per cent Benevolent Quota for The U.L.C.A. for 1948 as recommended by the United Lutheran Church and as directed by the Stewardship Secretaries. (Adopted as amended).

2. That as a Synod we communicate with the Board of American Missions, announcing to the Board that we are dissatisfied with the lack of progress in developing the North Kansas City Mission Project

and that we are also dissatisfied with the delays in starting a survey in Kansas Synod Communities where there is a substantial Mexican population. (Lost).

3. That as a Synod we grant Midland College the requested $1.30 per communing member and that if the total $1.30 cannot be placed in the Benevolent Quota, that the remaining amount be raised by the congregations in some "Minded Day" Plan. (Adopted).

4. That as a Synod we pay interest to Midland on the unpaid Forward Campaign Quota at the same rate that Midland is paying interest until the total amount is raised. (Lost).

5. That as a Synod we ask the Congregations to redouble their efforts in supporting the Youth Program at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga with more Youth Leaders to advance the new combined Youth Program and Luther League Conveniton, and that as Congregations we give more time, more original effort, and more adult leadership be expended in keeping the youth of the Church more actively connected with the local congregation and the Church at large. (Adopted).

6. That as a Synod we ask pastors, congregations, officers, and committees to plan all the work, fellowship, united endeavors, and conferences so that the Synod made up of pastors and congregations will operate as a true aggressive cooperative. (Adopted).

A. J. BEIL, President.

Report Of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee met four times during the year: Three times in regular session, on May 15, 1946, September 25, 1946, and January 28, 1947; and once in special session at Topeka, in connection with the joint conference on November 11, 1946. Mimeographed copies of the minutes of the three regular meetings were mailed to all Pastors of the Synod.

During the year the Executive Committee conducted all its regularly assigned duties, carrying out the wishes of Synod and assisting the president in his task of administration. There were a few special interests that are herewith reported more in detail.

The Joint Conference In November

At its 1946 convention, Synod directed the committee to provide for a joint conference during the fall months. Two separate items were requested: A study on current problems, and (in the report of the Social Missions' Committee) that the subject of the Lapsed Membership be given consideration.

In an effort to provide what the committee felt was the desire of Synod, a program was set up for November 11, 12, 1946, and pastors were informed by special notices as well as through the Kansas Synod Lutheran. Attendance at the conference was disappointing.

An effort was made to pool expenses of those attending the conference. Eleven of the ministers attending participated in the pool, but some would not accept refunds offered them under the plan. As a result, there is a small balance in the fund should the committee choose to use such a plan in the future.

Archives Of Synod

At its 1946 convention the Synod referred to the Executive Committee the problem of providing a safe place for the archives of Synod. The possibilities of making microfilm copy of all the present papers of value was discussed, but nothing further was proposed and the committee has not been able to arrive at a solution to the problem.

Lutheran Youth Camp

At its meeting on September 23, 1946, the committee received recommendations from both the Luther League and the committee on Parish Education requesting changes in the present programs for Junior and Luther League camps. As a result of the two sets of recommendations, the Executive Committee has set up a combined program for young people from nine years up. Under this program, there will be a two-weeks camp period in July to be known as "Lutheran Youth Camp." It will be administered by a committee composed of members of the committee on Parish Education and the two Luther League sponsors together with the camp committee's chairman and three members of the Luther League.

Funds for this program will be called, "Lutheran Youth Camp," and the Executive Committee recommends that this fund be suupplied by solicitation of organizations within the Synod. The committee has allowed $200.00 from the Synodical General Fund for the 1947 season.

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga

The supervision of Camp Wa-Shun-Ga, delegated to the Executive Committee by Synodical by-law, is under a committee appointed for that purpose. At the September meeting, the Secretary was instructed to include in printed minutes of the Synod Convention the information that this camp-committee was appointed from October first through September 30. The committee in charge during the 1946 season consisted of Rev. George W. Eller, Chairman; Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D.D.; Rev. L. C. Weitzenkamp; Miss Catherine Ellenberger; and Mr. Will Deschner.

The following report, made to the Executive committee by Chairman Eller, is included as a part of this report by the Executive Committee.

During the season of 1946, 2,600 campers and visitors were accommodated at the camp. Thirty-six thousand eight hundred meals were served. About 4,100 of this number were served to the camp staff, and the remaining 32,700 were served to campers.

Income from camp fees and extra meals was $15,419.66 and income from the store amounted to $2,937.79, making a total income of $18,357.45. This is an increase of $515.45 over last year.

Our number of campers and income for the year would have been larger had it not been for the polio epidemic which held down the attendance of some of the later groups.

Improvements of a permanent nature included the purchase of a three-quarter ton pickup truck, curtains for many of the screen doors to keep out rain and cold, a large heater for the north wing of the dining hall, crushed rock on paths and around the buildings, and glass storm sash for the dining hall and chapel. The pickup truck is in good shape and will serve the needs of the camp for many seasons.

Improvements planned for this season are: Well and pump for the swimming pool, propane gas system with stove and hot water heater for the kitchen, and a screen for the chapel. A contract with a well-driller from Shickley, Nebraska, representing the Western Land Roller Company of Hastings, Nebraska, has been drawn up. The test well will be drilled in March and if sufficient water is found to serve our needs the well and pump will be ready to furnish water for the pool long before the camping season. The stove, hot water heater and plant have been ordered since last November.

During the 1946 season our camp was under the very capable management of Mr. George Krionderis. Mrs. Carpenter was chief cook. Both Mr. Krionderis and Mrs. Carpenter plan to be back for the 1947 season.

The 1947 season appears very promising. Most of the time on the schedule has again been requested by youth groups.

Recommendations

(As amended by Synodical action)

1. The apportionment for 1948 shall be $5.90 per Communicant member, based upon the 1947 statistical report. (Adopted).

2. 1947 apportionment receipts shall be divided as follows:

For United Lutheran Church	$3.00
For Midland College	1.30
For Tabitha Home	.15
For Home Missions	.45
For Kansas Synod Lutheran	.10
For Ministerial Education	.10
For Synod Treasury	.40

(Adopted)

3. Synod shall authorize a solicitation of organizations of the Congregations of Synod for funds to underwrite the Lutheran Youth Camp. (Adopted).

4. Synod authorizes the Committee on Home Missions to solicit funds from Congregations of the Synod, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a large reserve that can be used for expansion of the Church on the territory of the Synod of Kansas. (Adopted).

George L. Search, Secretary.

Report Of Necrologist

Another Synodical year has passed by without the loss of a single member of the Clergy by death. Our loving Heavenly Father has been very good to us. We do deeply thank Him for His protecting care and keeping.

RESOLUTIONS

Evan W. Tonsing

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and all-gracious mercy to call to his eternal home, on January 23, His own servant and esteemed friend, Evan W. Tonsing, and wishing to express our esteem for this faithful servant of Christ, do hereby present the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, His leadership in the many activities of his church and the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, has instilled an example of faithfulness and zeal to serve our Lord through His Church on earth that will ever be an inspiration, and having served willingly, faithfully and capably in the Synod as past Synodical Brotherhood President, Trustee on the Midland College Board and other offices in the Synod. Serving willingly and faithfully and capably on the Church Council, Choir and Sunday School, and anywhere his services were sought;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That we offer our thanks to our Father in Heaven for this outstanding example of Christian Life and service, and for the many thoughtful acts of Christian Love that he rendered to his fellowmen;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of these Resolutions be sent to Mrs. Tonsing and daughter, Virginia, and placed on the minutes of the 1947 Synodical Convention of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States.

OUR GRACIOUS HEAVENLY FATHER continues to watch tenderly over us all. We leave all of our homes to His loving care and protection. To Him be all the honor and glory now and forever.

Herbert H. Pett.

Report Of Committee On Stewardship and Benevolence

Judging by the spirit and interest of our brethren and the financial reports we believe we are correct in saying that there is an increasing stewardship consciousness in our Synod. It is true that we have not fully reached the 100 per cent and the 100 percent plus standard in our Synod as have a number of Synods in the U. L. C. A., nor have we reached these standards in many of our congregations. We are moving towards them but not as rapidly as we should. At the Conference of Stewardship Secretaries and Synodical Stewardship Committee Chairmen, held in Columbus, Ohio, last October, the beloved Dr. W. H. Greever told those present that the roots of Christian Stewardship must be planted deep in the Gospel and the Spirit of the Christ. That if this is done the fruitage would be plentiful. We are glad to report that under the masterful and deeply spiritual direction of Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, Executive Director of the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, together with the members of that committee and Mr. Henry Endress, his associate, a new era of stewardship has come for our U.L.C.A. which is being felt throughout the whole Church. Your committee feels that we are fortunate in having him present at the sessions of this convention.

It is generally recognized that apportionments are not objectives to be attained as standards below which we are not to fall. However, they do serve as measuring units.

The following congregation have met their regular apportionment in full, the asterisk indicates an excess: *Bendena, Chapman, Cole Camp, Emporia, *Fort Smith, *Glasco, Greenleaf, St. Paul's, Hays, *Hutchinson, *Kansas City Children's Memorial, *Kansas City St. Mark's, Langdon, *Lawrence, Norcatur, Peabody, *Rockport, Salina, *Sedalia, *St. Joseph, *Tulsa, Valley Falls, Wakeeney, *Wellington, *Wichita, *Wilson.

Twenty-five have paid apportionment in full four more than last year. Of these 16 with an excess, which is 10 more with excess than in 1945. The congregations which joined the "Excess Column" in 1946 are: Fort Smith, Greenleaf, St. Paul's, Lawrence, Rockport, Sedalia, St. Joseph, Tulsa, Wilson.

Increased giving is also indicated by the following major objects:

	For 1945	For 1946
Lutheran World Action	$ 6,229.31	$16,701.90
Midland College	225.10	5,611.35
Tabitha Home	2,080.30	2,196.18
Foreign Missions	386.00	995.28
Totals	$ 8,920.71	$25,504.71

We regret to report that some of our congregations are falling down in meeting their apportionment to the Midland College Campaign. Christian Education is fundamental. We dare not be indifferent to its sup-

port. We must not let it down. The future success of our Church is dependent upon it.

During the year communications have been sent to the pastors and congregations. Articles have appeared from time to time in the Kansas Synod Lutheran urging support of the benevolences of the Church. Rev. Eugene Harrison has from time to time given an analysis of the Treasurer's Monthly Report and sent observations and figures to the members of the Synod.

Your committee would urge all congregations to make strenuous endeavors to meet their apportionments 100 per cent and as much more as possible.

Your committee recommends:

1. That monthly reports of Synodical finances be sent to all pastors of the Synod, and that they be requested to present these facts and figures to the Church Council and the members of the congregation. (Adopted).

2. That we encourage the use of "Tithing" as an encouragement to enlarged and systematic stewardship among our members. (Adopted).

3. That more space be given in the Kansas Synod Lutheran for the presentation of stewardship matters. (Referred to Executive Committee).

E. E. Stauffer, Chairman.

Report of Director Of Lutheran World Action

Lutheran World Action is with us as an impelling obligation and an opportunity for Christian service that is even more imposing now than at any previous time. The $10,000,000 program for 1946-1947 is more imperative now than a year ago, partly because of the long way that we have to go to measure up even to the minimum requirements. This Synod has been very slow in getting under way and in producing results. By January 15, 1947, the close of the 1946 fiscal year, we had contributed only 31 per cent of the $46,441 which is our proportionate share of the $10,000,000 minimum goal. Although the $16,701.90 reported received by that time is a sizeable sum, when compared with the resources of our people it gives us no room for boasting. While we were raising 31 per cent of our portion, several other Synods were raising more than 100 per cent of theirs. We lined up third from the bottom among the U.L.C.A. Synods in percentage of goals contributed by December 31.

Three congregations: Zion, Hutchinson; Children's Memorial, Kansas City, and United, Cole Camp, contributed 100 per cent or more of their minimum goals during 1946, and seven other congregations reached 50 per cent or more. The other 80 congregations in the Synod lined up all the way down to zero. Eight gave from 25 to 49 per cent; 16 less than 25 per cent, and six were listed with no contributions at all. (Two of these six have since moved into the list of contributors.)

As Synodical Director I have kept in touch with Lutheran World Action headquarters and have tried to forward such information as was not otherwise available to the pastors of the Synod. I have attended directors' meetings at Omaha and Topeka and helped lay plans for a series of workers' conferences on the territory of the Synod in January and February.

I personally set up and conducted such a conference for the National Lutheran Council Churches in Oklahoma. I have tried to stimulate the cause of Lutheran World Action by writing general letters to the Pastors, preparing communications for the "Kansas Synod Lutheran," and addressing personal letters to Pastors and Church Councils where I felt such encouragement would help.

The following Resolution was received by the Secretary of the Synod and referred to me. It is a communication from the Virginia Synod of the U.L.C.A. urging us to join them and others in following through on Lutheran World Action "in the hope that our whole response may correspond with the need."

Resolution adopted by the Lutheran Synod of Virginia at its Convention at Roanoke, Virginia, February 4-7, 1947:

"WHEREAS, Lutheran World Action has been presented in our congregations as a two-year goal, and some congregations have made their entire effort during the past year with the expressed intention of clearing up their responsibility in a year's time, and

"WHEREAS, Since the original goal was set, the representatives of the Church have been able to make personal surveys of the present needs, and have found that the Body of Christ is sorely stricken to the point where any goal is but a concession to the poverty of our giving;

"BE IT RESOLVED, That the Lutheran Synod of Virginia in convention request all its pastors and congregations to place the desperate needs of our brethren throughout the world in a central place in all congregational planning and giving during the current year;

"AND, THAT THE PRESIDENT OF SYNOD Be requested to lay this request before each congregation in a personal letter;

"AND, THAT THIS ACTION Be sent by the Secretary to the Secretary of each Synod of the United Lutheran Church in the hope that our whole response may correspond with the need."

I recommend the following:

1. That we as a Synod reaffirm our 1946 endorsement of the World Action program and re-pledge ourselves to strive earnestly and consistently to reach at least our minimum goal of $46,441 within the year 1947. (Adopted).

2. That we acknowledge the above communication from the Synod of Virginia, and make their resolution our own, requesting all pastors and

congregations to place the desperate needs of our brothren throughout the world in a central place in all congregational planning and giving during the current year, and asking that the President of Synod lay this request before each congregation in a personal letter. (Adopted).

George R. Whittecar

Report of the Committee on Constitution

At the last meeting of Synod, your Committee on Constitution was charged with the responsibility of drafting changes in Articles 6 and 7 of our constitution to make provision for some mode of reception of retired ministers into our Synod and to make provision for the retention of retired ministers upon our rolls.

We therefore recommend:

(1) That Article Six, Section B, Paragraph 1, be amended to read:

"Any regularly ordained minister of a constituent Synod of the United Lutheran Church applying for membership in this Synod must live within the normal boundaries of this Synod, or must have a call to some general work of the church as defined in Article 7, Section 1, Paragraph 2 of this constitution, or must have received a call to serve as pastor of a congregation of this Synod. He shall furnish the President of Synod evidence of his ordination and Christian character, together with a letter of honorable dismissal issued by the President of the Synod from which he comes. These papers, together with the recommendation of the President of Synod shall be sent to the Examining Committee. Upon the approval of the Examining Committee the applicant shall be enrolled as a member of Synod. If any question arises concerning an applicant, the Examining Committee may ask the applicant to appear before the Committee"

(2) That Article Seven, Section 1, Paragraph 7 be amended to read:

"A clergyman on the roll of Synod, not engaged in regular ministerial work for a period of two or more years, as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article, shall be requested to deposit his ordination papers with the President of the Synod until such time as he shall desire to resume the active office of the ministry, thus conforming to the action of the United Lutheran Church. The deposit of ordination papers shall not be required of clergymen retired from active service because of age or prolonged physical illness."

It becomes the duty of this committee to call to the attention of Synod that the United Lutheran Church in America, at its Fifteenth Biennial Convention voted to submit to the synods the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Unied Lutheran Church in America:

1. Article VI, Section 3: Strike the comma after the word "faith" and before the words, "and thus" and insert a semicolon and the following words: "and in order to further such spiritual unity and co-operation, to establish, maintain, and operate, in conjunction with other Lutheran general bodies, a post-graduate theological seminary;"

Section 3 of Article VI would then read:

"Section 3. To express outwardly the spiritual unity of Lutheran congregations and synods, to cultivate co-operation among all Lutherans in the promotion of the general interests of the church, to seek the unification of all Lutherans in one orthodox faith; in order to further such spiritual unity and co-operation, to establish, maintain, and operate, in conjunction with other Lutheran general bodies, a post-graduate theological seminary; and thus to develop and unfold the specific Lutheran principle and practice and make their strength effective."

2. Article IX, Section 1: Insert, immediately after the second sentence and immediately before the third sentence, the following: 'No one shall be eligible for election or re-election to these offices after he shall have reached the age of 68 years."

Section 1 of Article IX would then read:

"Section 1. The officers of the United Lutheran Church in America shall be a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The President shall be an ordained minister of the Church. No one shall be eligible for election or re-election after he shall have reached the age of 68 years. The officers shall be elected by ballot at each regular Convention, but shall not take office until the first day of the third month after their election."

3. Article XIII, Section 4: Add at end of present section 4, the following words: "No salaried member of the executive staff of a board or agency may be continued in employment after December 31 of the year in which the age of 68 shall have been attained."

Section 4 of Article XIII would then read:

"Section 4. The Boards, unless otherwise provided, shall have power to elect their own officers and employees, and to carry on their work in accordance with the design of their appointment. No member of a Board shall be a salaried employee thereof. No salaried member of the executive staff of a board or agency may be continued in employment after December 31 of the year in which the age of 68 shall have been attained."

Synod is reminded that, under the provisions of the constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America, the above listed amendments to the U.L.C.A. Constitution will be considered to be adopted after they have the APPROVAL of two-thirds (⅔) of the constituent synods.

Report Of the Treasurer

JANUARY 28, 1946, TO JANUARY 24, 1947

Receipts

Benevolence	$34,424.15	
Lutheran World Action	16,701.90	
Midland College Forward Fund	5,611.35	
Tabitha Building Fund	554.94	
Tabitha General Fund	2,196.18	
Foreign Missions	995.28	
Junior Camp	179.00	
Children of Church	190.31	
Deaconess Work	17.00	
American and Home Missions	222.20	
Ministerial Pensions	10.00	
Student Aid	275.00	
Women's Missionary Society Printing Minutes	60.00	
Offerings Synod	17.92	
Savings Account, Ministerial Education	1,025.00	
Total Receipts		$62,480.23
Balance January 28, 1946		6,218.39
Total		$68,698.62

Disbursements

Apportionment, U. L. C.	$18,761.00	
Apportionment, Midland College	7,505.00	
Apportionment, Tabitha Home	1,583.50	
Specials, U. L. C.	17,952.49	
Specials, Midland College	5,611.35	
Specials, Tabitha Home	2,750.87	
Synodical Treasurer and Parish Education	3,161.25	
Home Missions	2,752.31	
Ministerial Education	750.00	
Kansas Synod Lutheran	664.82	
Junior Camp	194.91	
Total Disbursements		$61,687.50
Balance January 24, 1947		$ 7,011.12

Accounts—Specialized

Receipts Itemized

CHURCH	Benevolence	Lutheran World Action	Midland College	Tabitha General	Foreign Missions
Abilene	$ 1,000.00	$ 300.00	$ 100.00	$ 150.00	$ 12.00
Atchison	1,511.01	757.00	40.50	151.36	----
Beloit	407.06	247.81	----	----	----
*Bendena	720.09	592.00	----	15.00	18.59
Bunkerhill	----	----	----	----	----
*Chapman	473.00	5.00	31.00	25.00	32.65
*Cole Camp	385.00	441.87	----	----	----
*Emporia	792.00	271.42	100.00	74.83	----
Eureka	182.19	142.45	486.00	55.00	----
*Fort Smith	343.00	102.16	----	35.00	14.00
*Glasco	562.89	339.48	----	----	----
*Greenleaf, St. Paul's	288.44	146.56	25.00	48.02	----
Greenleaf, Trinity	186.23	185.47	----	20.00	----
*Hays	819.50	150.00	145.00	----	----
*Hutchinson	1,194.87	1,160.00	----	62.50	10.00
KC Kansas Trinity	1,209.00	129.05	152.00	50.00	48.82
*KC Mo. Children's Me.	1,072.04	1,250.00	300.00	125.00	25.55
*KC Missouri St. Mark's	1,753.73	1,727.54	----	25.00	231.74
Lancaster	432.00	----	----	----	----
*Langdon	561.84	107.55	110.97	54.10	----
*Lawrence	2,707.91	1,665.00	1,000.00	157.50	----
New Cambria St. Paul's	40.53	----	----	----	----
New Cambria Peace	20.00	8.77	----	----	----
*Norcatur	82.50	35.00	----	41.00	----
*Peabody	660.00	113.75	----	34.79	----
*Rockport	1,368.00	126.60	----	156.46	50.00
*Salina	4,257.00	1,480.59	315.50	238.50	91.07
*Sedalia	467.44	110.00	----	100.00	----
*St. Joseph	2,904.00	1,030.00	1,294.00	85.00	20.00
Topeka	896.19	491.97	----	10.00	----
*Tulsa	1,545.66	1,432.09	----	59.75	15.86
*Valley Falls	209.00	115.50	----	100.00	----
*Wakeeney	660.00	100.00	----	----	----
Waterville First	76.25	44.00	----	10.00	----
Waterville St. Mark's	556.00	87.50	90.00	32.50	----
*Wellington	327.78	139.00	----	50.00	----
*Wichita	3,417.00	1,665.77	1,421.38	200.00	425.00
*Wilson	335.00	----	----	29.87	----
Totals	$34,424.15	$16.701.90	$5,611.35	$2,196.18	$995.28

*Starred churches have paid in full or in excess of apportionment.

Accounts Specialized
Receipts Itemized
(Continued)

CHURCH	Junior Camp	Children of the Church	Deaconess	Tabitha Building	Home Missions
Abilene	$ 3.00				
Bendena	4.00				
Chapman	9.00	38.29	12.00		
Emporia	2.50	5.00			
Eureka	8.00				
Fort Smith	6.00				
Greenleaf Trinity	4.50	16.00			
Hays	4.00				
Hutchinson	9.00		5.00		
KC Missouri Children's Memorial	14.00				
KC Missouri St. Mark's	27.00				
KC Kansas Trinity	3.00	38.82			
Langdon				221.94	
Lawrence	14.00				
Norcatur	6.00				
Oklahoma City				28.00	160.30
Peabody	6.00				
Salina	12.00	35.03		70.00	38.00
St. Joseph	5.00	4.92		35.00	
Topeka	8.00				
Tulsa	5.00				
Valley Falls	4.00				
Wakeeney	4.00				
Wellington	4.00				
Wichita	10.00	10.00		200.00	
Wilson	7.00				
Camp Wa-Shun-Ga		42.25			
Western Conference					23.70
Totals	$179.00	$190.31	$17.00	$554.94	$222.20

Received from St. Joseph for Ministerial Pensions, $10.00.

Offerings at 1946 Synod Convention, $17.92.

Woman's Missionary Society, printing minutes, $60.00.

Rev. A. B. Argenbrecht and Robert Schlichter, $275.00.

Disbursements—Itemized

HOME MISSION ACCOUNT

Balance	$ 2,504.19	
Received Apportionment	2,512.95	
Other Receipts	184.20	
Total Receipts		5,201.34

Disbursements

Moving expense Rev. Weitzenkamp Wakeeney	$ 200.32	
Beloit, Kansas	120.00	
Ft. Smith, Arkansas	300.00	
Sedalia, Missouri	366.63	
Committee Meeting and Miscellaneous Expense	265.36	
St. Luke's Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas	1,000.00	
Trinity Church, Kansas City, Kansas	500.00	2,752.31
Balance January 24, 1947		$2,449.03
Savings Account		1,654.17

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Account

Balance January 24, 1946		$ 4,812.66
Received Camp Deposits	18,357.45	
Refund Insurance	1.76	
Lawrence Brotherhood	90.00	$18,449.21
Totals		$23,261.87

Paid Out

Salaries	$ 2,919.23	
Extra Labor, Mileage, Machine rent	812.86	
Supplies	6,532.80	
Abstract	130.00	
Tractor hire, crushed rock, Sand So. Hays Quar.	1,138.53	
Krionderis mileage	178.61	
Equipment and repairs	248.81	
Pencil Company and Picture Film	43.81	
Withholding and sales tax	575.38	
Krionderis Cash account	1,474.78	
Car and tax	612.00	
Car and Workmen Insurance	57.30	
Tabitha Home	200.00	
Overhaul Pickup and License	170.08	
Treasurer, C. A. Ellenberger	25.00	
Committee Meeting Expense	47.84	
Total		$15,167.03
January 25, 1947, Balance		$8,094.84

Synodical Treasury Disbursements

Committee Meetings and Secretary's Expense, Stationery	$ 428 47
President's Expense	400.00
President's Assistants, Hamilton and Fellner	1,250.00
Delegates, U. L. C.	210.00
Honorariums	200.00
Luther League	75.00
Printing 1946 Minutes	340.83
1946 Synod Meeting	51.74
Treasurer's Exp., Bond, Postage, SD Box Rent, 20 Receipt Books	45.57
Total	$3,001.61

Division Of Balances

*Synodical Treasury (and Parish Education)	$ 1,137.87
Home Missions	2,449.03
Ministerial Education	1,851.25
Kansas Synod Lutheran	912.40
*Junior Camp (Lutheran Youth Camp)	174.24
Undistributed Funds	486.33
Total Balances	$7,011.12
In Home Missions, Savings Account	1,654.17

*Action of the Executive Committee discontinued the Parish Education Account at the third regular meeting, and renamed the Junior Camp Account at the second regular meeting. See the Secretary's report.

Auditing Committee Report

Emporia, Kansas, February 15, 1947.

To The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States:

We, the undersigned committee appointed to audit the accounts of Catherine Ellenberger, Treasurer, have made a careful examination of the records and do hereby certify to the following:

Balance on hand, January 26, 1946		$ 6,218.39
Total amount received to this date		61,455.23
Transferred from Ministerial Education Fund		1,025.00
Total		$68,698.62
Total disbursements as shown by cancelled vouchers	$ 61,687.50	
Balance on hand January 25, 1947	7,011.12	
Total		$68,698.62
Balance on hand and on deposit in the Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas	$ 7,061.12	
1 — Outstanding check	50.00	
True balance		$ 7,011.12
Camp Wa-Shun-Ga has a balance of		$ 8,094.84

(This amount is on deposit in The Emporia State Bank, Emporia, Kansas.)

The cancelled vouchers were carefully checked and found to be correct.

Home Missions Account	$ 1,654.17

This amount is on deposit in The Citizens National Bank, Emporia, Kansas, in Savings Account No. 4621.

Ministerial Educational Fund has been transferred to the General Fund, and the account closed.

Total Cash on hand, January 26, 1947	$16,760.13

Ferris M. Hill
A. F. Myser
Auditing Committee

Report Of the Statistician

Greenleaf, Kansas, February 23, 1947.

Gains in almost every category featured the summary of the parochial reports for 1946. Only five rubrics out of the fifty-eight reported on failed to show an improvement over the previous year. Another good increase was registered this year in the communicant membership. This now stands at 7,006, a gain of 300 over 1945 and the highest in synodical history. The congregation with the largest increase was Trinity, Lawrence, with 181 members or 39%. Three congregations, St. Mark's, Atchison, First Lutheran, Rockport, and St. John's, Salina, had sharp decreases due to revision of membership rolls.

The war's end was apparent in the increases both in numbers and membership of mixed groups and young people's organizations. Twice as many were enrolled in schools of higher learning.

Each confirmed member contributed $22.24 for all purposes in 1946 compared to $19.81 the previous year. But, although the amount received by the synodical treasurer was the highest on record, each communicant member contributed a few cents less to the apportionment, $5.13 as compared to $5.22. Twenty-five congregations met the apportionment in full or paid in excess.

The reporting showed much improvement over that of the previous year but mistakes continue to be made that could be eliminated with a little care. Thanks are due to everyone for the assistance rendered and especially to the conference presidents and the secretary of synod for their cooperation in securing reports from the vacant congregations.

Chas. A. Harkness, Jr.

Report of the Home Missions Committee

The committee on Home Missions is glad to report good progress on the part of several missions. The congregations have taken advantage of the times to raise money for improvements on their building and pay off indebtedness. They are to be commended also for their efforts to pay benevolences in full.

Zion, Hutchinson, Kansas, the Rev. E. R. Harrison, Pastor.

This congregation is to be commended for its progress in reducing more rapidly than scheduled, its aid from the Board of American Missions.

Improvements have been made in the church and parsonage and a new organ is to be secured in the near future. Pastor and people have been carrying on an intensive effort to increase church attendance and bring more souls into the church.

Zion, Beloit, Kansas, the Rev. George Eller, Pastor.

This congregation is to be commended on becoming self-supporting at the end of 1946, making more funds available for other missions. Improvements of new furnaces and chancel furniture, and redecorating of the church building have also been completed this past year. Pastor and members are to be commended for their efforts to improve and advance their church.

Bethlehem, Wakeeney, Kansas, the Rev. Louis Weitzenkamp, Pastor.

The congregation suffered the loss of its building by fire. Insurance money has been received and funds have been raised by the congregation to erect a new building. Plans have been drawn for a new building but the congregation has not been able to secure a permit from the O. P. A. to erect it.

In the interim this church has decided not to ask the Home Missions Committee for aid, but may need it when the building program begins. Pastor and people are to be commended in working ahead energetically even though handicapped by not having their own building.

Trinity, Sedalia, Missouri, the Rev. L. A. Swan, Pastor.

This congregation has made improvements in its church building and parsonage, and is moving ahead with a program to increase church attendance and membership. All the aid received by this church comes from the Synodical Home Missions Committee.

Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas, the Rev. Alvin D. Havekost, Pastor.

Through the generosity of the Board of American Missions and the gifts of members this congregation was able to refinance its entire indebtedness and receive a first mortgage loan from the Mission Board for its remaining debt. For the first time in many years the congregation is optimistic about its debt. The Synodical Home Missions Committee gave the congregation a grant of $500. Improvements have been made in the building and a new good organ is being purchased. The Church has been making good progress in increasing membership and attendance.

St. Paul's, Valley Falls, Kansas, the Rev. Sherman Frederick, Pastor.

For the first time in a number of years this congregation has a regular pastor. Rev. Frederick began his ministry here April 1. The synodical home Missions Committee is giving the congregation regular aid to make this possible. Synod will be glad to know that this congregation has a regular pastor and can look forward to a substantial growth. Mr. Wayne Barthel, Western Seminary student supplied this church last summer.

St. Luke's Ft. Smith, Arkansas, the Rev. Samuel Jensen, Pastor.

This congregation is planning a building program which involves

considerable responsibility on the part of Synod. Therefore it's program should be outlined for synodical consideration.

The church has been going along for many years in a limited way. When it was without a pastor several years ago, it was felt that Synod would have to help to develop this church, or let it languish and probably die. Both the synodical Missions Committee and the Board of American Missions felt we should try the former plan and invest considerable money and effort in order to develop a United Lutheran Church in Ft. Smith. Rev. Jensen was secured as pastor with the assurance of backing from Synod and the Board of American Missions.

The congregation had considered relocating, and Mr. Elwood Bowman of the Church Extension Division of the Board of American Missions visited the field and in consultation with the pastor and officers of the congregation lots were selected at an important intersection and purchased for $10,000.

The old building was sold for $12,000, but since there was still considerable debt on it, the Board of American Missions made grants of $2,112, the Home Mission Committee $2,000.

The estimated cost is as follows:

45,000 cubic feet at 55 cents per cubic foot	$24,750
Furnishings	2,500
Unforseen extras	1,400
Grading, planting, walks, walls	1,000
Completion bond	250
Legal papers, insurance, etc.	100
Architect's fees	1,500
Indebtedness on lot (to be included in new mortgage papers)	7,500
TOTAL	$39,000

The proposed budget financing is as follows:

Cash from sale of property	$10,000	
Cash by congregation	5,400	—to be in hand within 2½ years from July 1, 1946—80% of not to exceed 15 months pledges to be considered as cash.
Board grant, to Architect's fees	600	
First mortgage	$23,000	
First mortgage	$23,000	at 4% interest per annum — waive and reduce interest as follows: No interest first to seventh years exclusive.

		— 1% interest annually 8th to 12th years inclusive. —2% interest per annum 13th to 20th years inclusive. —3% interest per annum 21st to 30th years inclusive.
		No principal first year. Principal 2nd to 6th years. Congregation $600 Synod 300 1,200 Board 300 Principal after 6th year by congregation only. Principal 7th year — 1,000. Principal annually 8th to 12th years inclusive 600 Principal annually 13th to 20th years inclusive 700 Principal annually 21st to 30th years inclusive 740
Total	$39,000	

Synod would take title to the property until indebtedness is reduced to $100 per member. This obligates the synod to payments amounting to $1,500. In addition the Board of American Missions asks that we make a grant of $2,000 on the lot purchase instead of $1,000. A payment of $1,000 has been made already. This means that future grants to the Ft. Smith congregation will amount to $2,500, plus salary aid of $300 per year or less.

The aid to be given by the Board of American Missions is generous, but involves a big responsibility on the part of our synod. Therefore the plan was presented to the executive committee and approved in addition to receiving the approval of the Home Missions Committee. St. Luke's congregation has only 60 communing members at the present time which means a big obligation over many years. But all groups considering the matter feel that such a daring program is the only way to develop a United Lutheran Church in Ft. Smith.

Our churches at Norcatur, Long Island, Bunkerhill and Wilson, Kansas, are vacant and have had occasional services provided by pastors in the western area of the Synod. The Cole Camp Congregation is being supplied by Dr. J. A. McCulloch.

Rurl work has also been given consideration by the committee from time to time.

Efforts have been made to establish a new mission in the North Kansas City area. The Board of American Missions has extended calls to two pastors, but both have accepted calls elsewhere. Several others have also been approached but the Mission Board has nothing definite to report. The Mission Board has offered a $4,000 loan for the purchase of a parsonage.

Mission, Kansas, area, adjacent to Kansas City, Missouri, was surveyed this past year. Because of the aggressive program of the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church in that area. Rev. Berner of the Board of American Missions recommended that we do not enter the field if the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church would leave us free to develop the North Kansas City area.

A preliminary survey of Mexican Mission Work in Topeka, Kansas, was made by Carlos Guzmin of Wesleyan Theological Seminary. The field appears favorable, and warrants further study and development. Several problems must be studied and worked out before we can begin this Mexican Mission Program.

Rev. George Whittecar and Rev. R. R. Frobenius have represented the United Lutheran Church at the meetings of the Topeka Home Missions Regional Council of the National Lutheran Council. This intersynodical Home Missions Committee is co-ordinating home mission work of National Lutheran Council Churches in this area.

The Children's Memorial Church, Kansas City, Missouri, is making a gift of $400 to the Home Missions Committee in return for a grant made by the Committee years ago when that congregation was erecting its building.

The 1947 Budget is as follows:

Ft. Smith, Arkansas	$300.00
Sedalia, Missouri	460.00
Valley Falls, Kansas	300.00
Mexican Work	200.00
Grant to Ft. Smith	1000.00
North Kansas City	1000.00
Committee Expense	200.00
Total	$3460.00

Reno R. Frobenius, Chairman.

Report Of the Midland Assembly Representative

The twenty-fourth Annual Midland Summer Assembly for Church Workers was held August 4-9, 1946, on the Midland College campus in Fremont, Nebr.

The morning services were scheduled as follows: A devotional period conducted by the Reverend R. E. Rangeler of Tabitha Home. The two hours following were devoted to credit courses as listed; "The Church and Social Action", Dr. C. Franklin Koch; "Youth in the Church", Rev. Joseph W. Frease; and "Understanding Our Pupils", Dr. Earl Rudisill. The morning Pastors' Hour was conducted by Dr. R. R. Belter, president of the Wartburg Synod; and the inspirational lectures for the entire assembly were given by Dr. Koch, Dr. Belter, Rev. Karl Henry, Dr. Rudisill and Miss Myrtle Wilke.

The Reverend Karl S. Henry, Secretary of the Division of Survey and Research of the Board of American Missions was in charge of the afternoon sessions for men.

The Junior Assembly for children from 3-12 years of age was conducted under the leadership of Miss Amanda Jorn and Miss Mary Marx.

The total receipts for the Assembly was $621.04 and divided as follows: offerings by congregational organizations $396.00; freewill offerings at Assembly $90.42; Nebraska Women's Missionary Society, $100.00; and share of literature sales, $34.62. The total expense for faculty, including transportation and entertainment, publicity and administration expenses was $601.68.

The officers elected for 1947 are: Pres. Rev. A. H. Pinkall, Omaha, Nebr.; vice-pres., Rev. Paul de Freese, Hooper, Nebr.; secretary, Mrs. Oscar L. Johnston, Omaha, Nebr.; and treas., Mrs. Walter Johnson, Lincoln, Nebraska.

The 1947 Midland Assembly will be held again at Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska, August 10-15.

J. Franklin Shirck.

Historian's Report

The Historian has filed those articles and papers that have been sent to him to be placed in the archives.

Eugene R. Harrison, Historian.

Report Of Editor Of Kansas Synod Lutheran

During the past year The Kansas Synod Lutheran has been issued regularly each month, except August. A complete file of the paper has been kept. In the columns of the paper we have done our best to bring to its readers all of the news of our Synod and its congregations. The

causes of the Church have also been brought before our people. Your Editor has faithfully followed the instructions given him by the executive officers of Synod in the matter of schedule and content of the paper. Expenses have been kept to a minimum. Your Editor hopes that the paper has fulfilled its purpose and has pleased you.

Robert E. Gaston, Editor.

Report Of the Southern Conference

The Southern Conference joined with the other two Conferences of Synod on November 11 and 12 at Topeka, Kansas, for the Conference on Social Missions. For our Conference this meeting took the place of the usual Fall Conference. Seven parishes were represented by pastors and four sent lay delegates.

Samuel W. Jensen, President.

Report Of the Western Conference

The Western Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States met October 27th and 28th in Zion Lutheran Church, Beloit, Kansas. The Rev. George W. Eller, Pastor, in connection with their 60th Anniversary celebration. The Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D.D., President of Synod gave the message for the evening Vespers Service. The Liturgy was conducted by the Pastor Loci.

On Monday we heard the report of Pastor Henning on his attendance last summer of the Summer Session at Garett Bible Institute in Chicago, Illinois. Routine business was taken care of and the following resolution to Synod was passed by Conference: RESOLVED: That the Laymen on the Executive Committee of Synod be elected by the respective Conferences instead of by the Synod as a whole as is now the practice.

With the calling of Dr. B. R. Lantz to serve the two New Cambria churches, the Western Conference is now in better shape than in several years as far as vacant pastorates are concerned. A new interest is being shown in Bunkerhill and the churches at Wilson, Norcatur, and Long Island are being served with occasional services from Hays, Kansas. Glasco while still vacant may have extended a call before this sees print.

The President was present at the 60th Anniversary of Excelsior Lutheran Church at Wilson on Sunday morning, October 6th. He delivered the message of the day and assisted Dr. Wiest in the administration of Holy Communion.

The President also visited the two New Cambria churches in obtaining the Parochial reports for 1946. He also was responsible for the filling of all other Parochial reports in vacant parishes although he delegated others to do the task in most cases. He also attended all meetings of the Executive Committee of Synod.

Rev. A. L. Mendenhall, President.

Report of the Eastern Conference

The Eastern Conference met in First English Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Missouri, on October 20, 1946, with Brotherhood, Missionary, and Luther League groups taking part in the meeting. The Rev. Lightner A. Swan presented a report on the Cleveland Convention. The Rev. Alfred J. Beil made a report on Midland College. The Rev. Vance Baird presented the cause of Lutheran World Action.

Mr. Carlos Guzma spoke to the Missionary and the League groups about Mexican missions. Movies of our camp in action were shown during the supper hour. At the evening service, The Rev. Fred J. Weertz of Des Moines, Iowa, addressed the joint assembly on "The Marks of a Christian."

Your conference president has cooperated with the statistician of Synod in securing parochial reports from congregations. We expect all pulpits in our conference to be filled in the near future.

Alvin D. Havekost, President.

Report Of the Trustees Of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary — 1946-1947

With the providence of God Midland College has for the past sixty years been enabled uninterruptedly to serve the church in training the young men of the church for the gospel ministry and other young men for missionary work and other types of full-time work and has given thousands of youth a liberal arts education. A program is being properly arranged for the celebration for the Sixtieth Anniversary of the establishment of the college.

Unusual opportunities have presented themselves during the past year by reason of which there comes to us commensurate responsibilities and increased opportunity. President W. P. Hieronymus assisted by his co-workers has accomplished a magnificent work for the institution of the church.

Enrollment: The enrollment for the past year was more than 100% larger than that of 1944-1945. Students came from 18 states and from one foreign country (British Guiana) and a student is to arrive shortly from Norway. There are 186 veterans enrolled. Thirty-six men are preparing for the Gospel Ministry, 5 young women have full-time church work in mind. Of all the ULC colleges Midland has the second highest percentage of Lutheran students (57%).

The following is the comparative enrollment for the past six years:

	1941-42	1942-43	1943-44	1944-45	1945-46	1946-47
Regular Term	319	315	175	163	297	492
Summer Session	161	171	206	255	288	317
Total	580	486	381	418	585	809

Owing to the large enrollment, housing of the students was a serious problem. The people of Fremont cooperated splendidly in opening their homes for student roomers and the government granted 10 Quonset huts (with 20 apartments for married veteran students) and a small hospital building which has been converted to a dormitory for 28 single veteran students. (The hospital building is a small one-story building, 25' x 124,' moved from the Scribner Army Air Base. If the government permits the school to retain this building, it can easily be remodeled and serve as an auxiliary school building.) Beegle Hall, the women's dormitory, is overcrowded and houses 115 women students which means there are nearly 3 in every room. Two wings are badly needed to care for the increasing number of women students seeking admission to Midland. The new Men's Memorial Hall is a 3-story men's dormitory being constructed in honor of the 600 Midland men who fought in World War II. It is now nearing completion in spite of scarcity of materials; it is hoped it will be finished by Commencement time. Normally this dormitory will house 104 students, however, in emergencies, this can be greatly increased. The building will cost approximately $215,000. Many individuals and congregations are memorializing a loved one by paying for a room in the building. This building is a splendid addition to the college.

In order to strengthen the academic work of the college, the Board of Trustees is encouraging various members of the faculty to pursue graduate work leading to a higher degree, ultimately to the Ph.D. degree. Prof. Ralph Hankey is on leave of absence this year working toward his doctorate at the University of Chicago. On February 1, Prof. Gilbert Lueninghoener received his Ph.D. degree in the field of geology from the University of Nebraska. Associate Professor Edwin E. Prauner expects to get the master of arts degree in accounting from the University of Iowa this summer.

The administration is taking steps to call a man to fill the chair of Christianity next September. He is also to serve as chaplain and spiritual adviser to the students.

Due to his advanced age and the state of his health, the beloved Dr. Elmer M. Stahl, professor of mathematics at Midalnd sinec 1910, was given the status of professor emeritus. Because of ill health Miss Leah L. Williams found it necessary to resign her position as treasurer of the College. She had served efficiently and devotedly for more than 24 years. Mr. Clinton Muller is the new treasurer and assistant business manager. Due to a few vacancies and particularly to the great increase in the enrollment, it was necessary to add 10 full-time and part-time instructors to the staff.

Receipts and Disbursements for Fiscal Year ending August 31, 1946:

INCOME

Educational and General (Tuition and Fees)	$ 57,883.32
Endowment Investments	5,925.82
Gifts and Grants	56,992.47

Sales and Services	785.18
Other Sources	1,671.00
Auxiliary Enterprises	55,788.22
Total	$179,046.01

EXPENSES

Educational and General	$126,665.96
Auxiliary Enterprises	45,703.58
Other Non-Educational	3,380.48
Total	$175,750.02

Net Operating Profit for Fiscal Year ending August 31, 1946 $ 3,295.99

The fine increase in enrollment has given a spurt to our income for operating expenses. However, due to the fact that additional faculty members had to be appointed to take care of the influx and further that the meager salaries of the staff must be substantially increased, and also that the depression-neglected improvements and repairs must be made and new equipment secured, this increase will not be sufficient. The students pay only half of the cost of operating the school. In support of its application to the North Central Association of Colleges and Seminary Schools, Midland *must* show an increased annual income from the supporting synods and the Church Board of Education of approximately $15,000. A most *urgent appeal* is, therefore, being made to the synods to give a *substantial increase* in their annual support.

Midland College will henceforth be affiliated with the Deaconess Motherhouse of Baltimore and Philadelphia in the education of young women for full-time church service. A student who is interested in earning a college degree as well as receiving professional training for deaconess work or for general parish work may take her freshman and sophomore years at Midland. Following this basic college work, she may attend one of the two deaconess schools for a period of two years to fulfill the requirements for a major in Christian education and to qualify for a diploma from the deaconess school. The student may then return to Midland to complete the last 30 hours of college work with a view to graduating with the Bachelor of Arts degree.

A comprehensive Group Insurance program for all full-time (including Seminary) staff members became effective December 31, 1946. The plan incorporates group life insurance and also group accident, sickness, and hospitalization insurance. A year ago the U. L. C. Pension Plan went into effect.

It will be a great day when we can say that the Forward Midland Campaign is past history and that our pastors and people responded so nobly and loyally that the campaign went over the top. But unfortunately after almost three years, we still have not yet reached our goal.

Due to the fact that the bills for the construction and completion of Men's Memorial Hall are coming in much faster than the campaign monies are being received from the churches, it has become necessary for the Board to make a large loan. This means the *payment of interest monies that might have been saved.*

The quota accepted by the Kansas Synod is $28,781.50, of which $17,069.70 has so far been paid in. Eight congregations — Scherer Memorial, Chapman; Christ, Eureka; Trinity, Lawrence; St. Paul, Peabody; St. Paul Valley Falls; St. Paul, Wichita; United, Cole Camp; Children's Memorial, Kansas City — have so far reached or exceeded their quotas. With a concerted, consecrated effort we can all go over the top. We *can* do it. We *must* do it. Let us, with the other supporting synods, give Midland a debt-free men's dormitory. It is hoped and expected that other congregations will have reached or surpassed their apportionment before the end of 1947.

Upon the recommendation of the Board of Trustees the supporting synods are requested carefully to consider once more the pros and cons of the matter of establishing Western Seminary as an institution separate and distinct from Midland College.

WESTERN SEMINARY. — Western Theological Seminary opened its current academic year (September 2, 1946) with 18 students enrolled. In addition to these enrolled for residence work there are three students on leave of absence for a year for the purpose of gaining practical experience in the field. These students come from 10 states of the Union and one foreign country — Arizona, California, Colorado, Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washington, and Mexico. Nine synods are represented — California, Iowa, Kansas Midwest, Ministerium of Pennsylvania, Nebraska, Pacific, Rocky Mountain and Texas.

There are eight seniors looking forward to graduation at the close of the second semester.

Several students engaged in survey work last summer, while others served congregations.

Our Mexican student, Carlos Guzman, has been carrying on mission work among the Mexicans in Omaha. He has also done some survey work among the Mexicans in Topeka, Kansas. Through the influence of Senor Guzman, and the help of friends, Senorita Jesucita Velez, a worker in the Omaha mission, has enrolled in the Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouse and Training School in Baltimore, Maryland, for training in parish work.

The third annual Life Service Retreat was attended by 34 high school students. In this group 14 congregations were represented. One young man came from University Lutheran Church in Seattle, Wash., and two young Mexican lads from the Omaha mission attended.

Steps are being taken to secure a fourth full-time professor who will assume his duties on the faculty in the fall of 1947. The addition of this fourth professor will greatly strengthen the program at Western.

Western Seminary needs your support.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we resolve with one another and before God to raise at least our quota of $28,781.50 in the Forward Midland Campaign and that we strive to do this before the coming summer. (Adopted).

2. That Midland College and Western Seminary be placed upon the synodical apportionment of the Kansas Synod in the amount of $1.30 per communing member. (Adopted).

3. That the Synod reconsider its action at the convention last year touching the separation of Western Theological Seminary from Midland College. (Lost).

Dr. E. E. Stauffer
Mr. Evan Tonsing (Deceased)
Rev. Reno Frobenius
Mr. Fred Kloepper

Report Of the Committee On Social Missions

The Committee on Social Missions emphasized the Evangelism Program of reclaiming the lapsed member during 1946. Letters were sent to all parishes in the Synod on this endeavor as outlined by the Board of Social Missions. Part of the Topeka Conference on Social Problems held on November 11 and 12 was devoted to this subject and presented by the Rev. Ray E. Kulman, director of the program for the Board of Social Missions.

Your committee also encouraged the observance of Universal Bible Sunday in December and the promotion of wider and more intensive Bible reading among the members of our Synodical parishes.

At the Executive Committee meeting of Synod of May 15, 1946, the problems of how to report membership of a congregation and who belongs to a congregation were discussed, these matters having been brought to the attention of the committee by a pastor of the Synod. The Executive Committee instructed the Committee on Social Missions to study these problems and report its findings at this convention.

The following sources have been consulted:

The Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America.

"The Parish Register and the Parochial Report," by Edward Traill Horn, III, the United Lutheran Publication House, Philadelphia, Pa.

"Minutes" of Biennial Conventions of the United Lutheran Church in America.

"Parish Practice", by Paul J. Hoh, The Muhlenberg Press, Philadelphia, Pa., 1944.

From time to time congregations seek to reclassify their membership and sometimes remove from the roll those who have become inactive. The desire is to have parochial statistics represent more accurately the active church membership. This is also important because many unap-

portioned benevolence appeals of the Church are based on Confirmed Members rather than Communing Members when quotas for congregations are assigned.

The first guide for a congregation in matters of policy and practice is the constitution. The "Form of Constitution and By-Laws" for congregations, approved and recommended by the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. (1942(pages 2-3, Article III, "Of the Membership") provides definitions for Communing and Inatcive members and also provides for annual classification of members by the church council.

On April 12, 1945, the Committee on Constituent Synods made a report to the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. on this subject, which reads in part:

> "It appears that the real issue centers in the fact that the definitions and directions contained in the parochial report provide for action by a church council whereby a member can 'be placed on an inactive list or dropped by revision from the roll.' This is a liberty not permitted by the constitutions of many congregations and this discrepency results in a measure of confusion in the reporting of 'confirmed members.' A standard appears necessary, therefore, as to when and under what conditions such action by church councils can be taken."
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> "(a) A confirmed member is any person holding membership in a congregation who is eligible to receive the Lord's Supper, however that person may have been received into membership.
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> "(b) Every congregation has the power to set its own standards with regard to what constitutes membership in good standing and the terms under which members may be placed on an inactive list or dropped from the roll. The Church as such has no power to set the congregational standard." ("Minutes" of 1946 Convention of U. L. C. A.)

Paul J. Hoh gives some suggestions on this subject worthy of study:

> "It has been argued that membership may be terminated in certain situations by action of the church council'—for example. when members have been totally inactive for a period of years. There is something to be said for it. Shall a congregation allow persons to be considered members when they have shown absolutely no interest in it for perhaps many years, when they have moved out of the community and not been heard from, when they have perhaps united with another church and never given notice of their act? A congregation can hardly allow utterly inactive members to remain on its rolls indefinitely. There is no good reason for denying the congregation this privilege of removing the names of members from its rolls. It may be considered disciplinary action, short of excommunication. However,

several safeguards should be set up: the church council should not act without explicit authorization from the congregation; the number of years of inactivity should not be set under three; persons whose inactivity is necessitated by circumstances beyond their control should not be included; and in every case every effort must first be made to revive the person's church life, before action is taken." ("Parish Practice," page 13.)

Individuals become members of a congregation through Baptism, confirmation, transfer or letter and by special order. But in determining who belongs to a congregation we must realize that persons become members to participate in the Church's life and work. Persons not active in the objectives of the congregation are not really members. A constitution has in it statements of the congregation's objectives. On the basis of these objectives and also the definitions of "members in good standing" the pastor and church council may determine who belongs to the congregation. If a person is removed from the rolls and later wishes to re-enter the life and work of the church, he is publically received by "The Office for the Restoration of One who has Lapsed, to Membership in the Church." ("The Occasional Services." page 181).

Samuel W. Jensen.

Report of the Luther League

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Officers for the Synodical league this year are:

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Treasurer, Eleanor Stolpe, Topeka
Ministerial Advisors, H. Vance Baird, 1946-1948; George R. Whittecar, 1945-1947.

The synodical league was adequately represented at the convention of the Luther League of America at Pittsburgh, Pa., in July, 1946, and is actively supporting the program of the entire league. The synodical league budget, adequate to care for promotional expense and the obligations of the Synod to the Luther League of America, is covered by voluntary pledges made by the local leagues.

List of Attendants: Phyllis Fultz, Mildred Carpenter, Jean Elliott, of Lawrence; Eleanore Stolpe, of Topeka; Bill Lind, Phil Little, Jim Bartel, Synneva Onsgard, Louise Easterday, of Wichita; Selma Beil,

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The League is participating in the joint Camp Program Committee in arranging for the Lutheran Youth Camp program at Wa-Shun-Ga, July 12 to 25.

Following is the financial report on the League Camp Program for 1946:

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From Synod	75.00	Program Expense	283.84
		T.L.L. Treasurer	34.18
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Because President Beil did not feel able to attend the convention, the other three elected clergy together with the first three laymen elected by the Synod at its last convention, represented this Synod at the convention of the United Lutheran Church.

All members of the delegation were in attendance at all sessions of the convention with the exception of two laymen who were delayed by transportation difficulties and did not attend for the first day's sessions.

The Lutheran carried a rather full account of proceedings at the convention. There is also a very fine summary of the activities of this convention in the 1947 year book of the U. L. C. A. And pastors will receive the full account when they receive their official minutes of the convention.

Of particular interest on this territory should be the change in budget for 1949, which will affect our apportionment in that same year, and one of the three proposed amendments to the U. L. C. A. constitution. Both these items will be found in the 1947 year book (pages 7-29).

George L. Search, Chairman.

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den of securing supplies. Orders for parish supplies are being filled more promptly but there is still much room for improvement in this department.

During the year the Committee has sent reviews of significant and important books to the editor of the Kansas Synod Lutheran. New books are coming off the presses in increasing numbers.

Too much praise cannot be given to the constant improvement of The Lutheran both in content and circulation.

During the year your Committee passed on to the Board of Publication all suggestions that it received.

Calvin J. Naugle.

Report Of Committee On Ministerial Pensions

As of March 1st, 1947, there are on the rolls of our Synod, five retired ministers, nine ministers' widows and five children who receive aid from the non-contributory pension system.

Seventeen of the Parishes of Synod and their pastors are members of the Contributory Plan. Five others have it under consideration or are in process of joining.

Information and necessary blanks may be procured from the chairman of this committee or from the home office.

D. L. McConnell, Chairman.

Report Of the Rural Representative

As the rural representative of this Synod, I was in attendance at the Interdenominational School For Rural Leaders, held at Garrett Biblical Institute on the Northwestern University Campus, Evanston, Ill., from July 29 to August 30, 1946. In attendance at this school were 83 workers coming from 20 states and representing 17 denominations.

The school is conducted in the interest of more effective work in the rural areas and is the result of a growing consciousness of the large part that rural life plays in the whole scheme of things—Spiritual as well as economic. The courses given were in the field of rural sociology in its applied form, with special emphasis given to its application in the work of the Church.

Your representative was also in attendance at the Rural Pastors Conference held on the Kansas State College Campus, Manhattan, Kansas, February 11, 1947.

W. H. Henning.

Report Of the Committee On Foreign Missions

To lay stress on Foreign Missions in Synod your Committee has engaged in the following activities this past year:

Correspondence was had with the Rev. L. A. Gotwald of the Board of Foreign Missions relative to a visitation of a returned missionary during the Epiphany Appeal. Miss Agnes Christenson, missionary on furlough from India was suggested due to her living within the Synod. Miss Christenson was unable to appear, and further correspondence with Dr. Gotwald revealed that no other missionary was available. Your chairman therefore wrote to pastors of Synod urging that each pastor arrange a special appeal for Foreign Missions, Sunday, January 26th, using material supplied by the Board for that purpose. A possible exchange of pulpits for that day was also suggested but not enough pastors were in favor of the plan so it had to be dropped.

At the writing of this report your chairman has again received word from Dr. Gotwald suggesting the appearance of a missionary in Synod immediately after meeting of Synod. Arrangements for such appearance have not been completed as yet.

C. Arthur Freeburg.

Report Of the Committee On Ministerial Education

Four young men and one young woman have received assistance from the committee's funds during the past year. They were: Martin C. Ashley, St. Joseph, Mo.; Robert Schlichter, Topeka, Kans.; Eugene Smith, Altoona, Penn., Raymond Tiemeyer, Tarkio, Mo., and Miss Jesucita Velez, Omaha, Nebr.

Eugene Smith will finish his seminary course this spring, and expects to accept a call to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Glasco, Kans.

Robert Schlichter decided late in the first semester to join the U. S. Army, and on his being accepted Robert returned to the Synod the funds that had been sent him for this year's assistance.

The Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America has promised us a program of enlistment for the Ministry, but beyond the furnishing of blanks for the purpose of establishing contact with prospective candidates for the Ministry has not been too helpful. Certain standards are in the process of formulation, however, and if they can be crystalized to the satisfaction of Synod, Seminary, College and Board of Education, there will probably be some service along this line in the future.

George L. Search.

Report Of the Committee On Work With Students

The Committee on Work With Students is in reality composed of all pastors having institutions of higher learning in their parishes. Seven pastorates are listed in the 1947 U. L. C. A. Yearbook as having student

work: Atchison, Emporia, Hays, Lawrence, Salina, Topeka, and Wichita. Student activities are carried on in these fields without outside aid. The U. L. C. A. has transferred supervision of this work to the National Lutheran Council Student Service Commission, the western representative working out of N. L. C. offices in Chicago.

Pastors report methods varying from Sunday School classes to occasional gatherings, as well as regular Sunday night meetings. Only Lutheran Student Association is in Lawrence, Trinity, where a thorough work is being done, the pastor being assisted by university professors and other student leaders.

Parochial reports show Lutheran students attending: Seminaries, 4; Lutheran institutions, 17; non-Lutheran institutions, 334.

All pastors should read carefully the Educational News from the Board of Education, U. L. C. A. The annual student census in co-operation with the Women's Missionary Society, was carried out in 1946 with good returns.

Ernest F. Tonsing.

Report Of the Trustees Of Tabitha Home

God has abundantly blessed Tabitha Home and graciously guided her through her sixty-first year of service.

The "help" problem at times has been trying to the very soul of those in charge, but in these discouraging moments God has always called someone to come to the rescue and the work of serving love has gone on.

During the year 1946, Tabitha Home served 89 aged guests; 11 women and 7 men were received; 8 of our aged guests were taken by death. Our aged population at the end of the year was 70.

Fifty-three children were served during 1946. Eleven boys and girls were received and 21 were dismissed, most of whom were placed into private homes. At the end of the year we had 18 girls and 11 boys under our supervision.

One will note from the following statement of the Treasurer that the Home has had a good financial year. Income in the General Fund exceeded expenditures by a little less than $15,000.00. A little less than $8,000.00 of this was put into the Emergency and Depreciation Fund, which is being salted down for a rainy day. Part of the remainder was used in the development of our Tabitha Farm.

The Synods through the channels of apportioned Benevolence contributed to Tabitha during the year, $9574.59. The Kansas Synod gave $1,583.50 of this amount. There was added to the Building Fund during the year, $51,784.70, making a total in that fund at the end of 1946, $213,217.42. Tabitha Home's total assets now amount to $371,249.74.

GENERAL FUND STATEMENT FOR 1946

Income Receipts, Operating Receipts, Room and Lodging	$34,632.02
Income from Investments, Int. and Real Estate, Rental Income	326.62
Appropriations: (a) District Synods	9,574.59
Voluntary Contributions: Individual and Organizations	11,486.55
Community Chest	2,800.00
Total Income Receipts	58,818.78

EXPENSE

Administrative

Salaries	$20,428.46
Printing and Office Supplies	780.93
Telephone and Telegraph	386.72
Auto Expense	1,399.03
Auditing and Legal	325.00
Freight, Express and Postage	184.15
Laundry Service	1,451.13
Travel Expense	826.59

Fixed Charges For Plant Operation

Heat, Light and Gas	$ 3,150.09
Repairs	1,428.83
Insurance	821.94
Interest	24.00
Water	377.41
(a) Miscellaneous Expense	859.94
(b) House Supplies and Replacements	1,126.26
(c) Yard Improvement	34.38
Total Fixed Charges	$ 7,822.85

Service and Relief

Food	$ 8,427.07
Clothing	94.71
Medical Relief	1,481.12
(a) Funeral Expense	274.00
Total Service and Relief	$10,276.90
Total Expenses	$43,881.76
Excess of Income Receipts Over Expenditures	$14,937.02

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN BUILDING FUND

January 1, 1946, to December 31, 1946

Fund Balance — January 1, 1946	$161,432.72

Additions		
Donations for New Building and Furnishings	$20,796.27	
Bequests	19,438.40	
Interest and Dividends Received	3,743.21	
Gain on Sale of Government Bonds	3,516.19	
Transferred from General Fund	3,926.14	
Transferred from Emergency & Depreciation Fd.	364.49	51,784.70
Fund Balance — December 31, 1946		$213,217.42

THE 1947 ANNUAL CONVENTION
of the
Men's Brotherhood
of the
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

Trinity Lutheran Church
Hays, Kansas
— April 16, 1947 —

LeRoy E. Demmon, Atchison, Acting Secretary

The 1947 convention was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by President John Carr of Atchison, Kansas, with approximately fifty delegates present.

Meeting opened with Hymn led by the Rev. A. D. Havekost, Kansas City, Kansas.

The Office for the opening of Convention led by President Carr.
Prayer by Rev. E. F. Tonsing of Topeka, Kansas.
Minutes of 1946 Convention read and approved.
The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.
The President's report was read.

The recommendations were:

1. In view of the existing condition of the Synodical Brotherhood it is recommended that a committee composed of the Synodical Brotherhood Officers and the Synodical Officers of the Kansas Synod meet to ascertain whether there is sufficient justification for continuing the Synodical Brotherhood. Said committee to report their recommendation at the next Synodical Brotherhood Convention.

2. That the Synodical Brotherhood dues for the calendar year 1947 be ten cents (10c) per active member and for the calendar year 1948 twenty-five cents (25c) per active member subject to approval of the 1948 convention.

3. That the joint dues plan be continued with the following exception: Joint dues statements to be mailed after the Synodical Brotherhood Convention.

4. That all secretaries of organized brotherhoods submit monthly reports of the activities of their respective brotherhoods to the president.

5. That the Secretary of this convention be instructed to send to each Brotherhood a copy of the minutes of this Convention.

6. That this Convention go on record as endorsing the "Continuing Objectives" of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood.

7. That the Synodical Brotherhood establish an Evan W. Tonsing Memorial Library Fund at Western Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska. That all Brotherhoods, interested groups or individuals be allowed to contribute to said fund. This fund to be administered by Western Theological Seminary and only the interest from same to be used for the purchase of books for the Library at the Seminary. The Synodical Brotherhood Treasurer to be designated as the collecting agent for said fund.

8. That the secretary be instructed to transmit to the Rev. George L. Search, Mr. A. F. Swanson and committees of Trinity Lutheran Church our appreciation for their hospitality in entertaining our 1947 Convention.

John Wm. Carr, President.

It was moved and carried that the President's Report and Recommendations be referred to the committee on President's Report.

Mr. W. Don Morton, Vice President and Field Secretary of the U. L. C. A. Brotherhood, was presented to the convention. Mr. Morton presented the causes of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood and explained to the satisfaction of the convention the necessity of the new dues plan.

Dr. Clarence Stoughton, Stewardship Secretary of the U.L.C.A., was presented to the Convention and spoke briefly.

The report of the Committee on the Presidents Report and Recommendations was received. The Recommendations were voted on and carried in seriatim, then voted on and carried in whole. The report as a whole was then accepted.

The Nominating Committee presented the following nominations for officers for the year opening with this Convention and closing with the installation of officers at the 1948 Convention.

For President: Mr. H. L. Wortz, 1542 Garland, Wichita, Kansas.

For Vice President: Mr. Delbert Gerstenberger, 2000 Rhode Island St., R. F. D. 5, Lawrence, Kansas.

For Secretary: Mr. Marvin Johnson, 401 Clay, Topeka, Kansas.

For Treasurer: Mr. W. E. Marshall, % Home Nat'l. Bank, Eureka, Kansas.

For Executive Committee for 3 year term, Eastern Conference: Mr. Lester Remley, 143 South Drury, Kansas City, Kansas.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed and the Secretary instructed to cast the unanimous voe of the convention for the officers as nominated.

No further business appearing meeting adjourned to meet at 7:00 P.M. at the Mtehodist Church for the Annual Brotherhood Banquet.

LeRoy E. Demmon, Acting Secretary.

The 1947 Annual Brotherhood Banquet Held in the Methodist Church Dining Room 7:00 P.M.

About 100 delegates and guests attended the Annual Brotherhood Banquet.

Mr. Gordon McCoy of Hays, Kansas, led in singing the National Anthem.

The invocation was given by Dr. C. F. Wiest.

The Banquet was served by the ladies of the Methodist Church, Hays, Kansas.

Community singing was led by Mr. Gordon McCoy.

The President introduced the special guests present.

Special music was furnished by Miss Flora Lee Brown accompanied by Miss Josephine Goodnough of Hays, Kans.

Mr. W. Don Morton, Vice President of the U. L. C. A. Brotherhood brought greetings from the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood.

Dr. Clarence Stoughton, Stewardship Secretary of the U. L. C. A., the speaker of the evening, gave an inspiring address on "Let's Be Strong."

Rev. G. L. Search, Host Pastor, pronounced the Benediction.

Banquet adjourned with all joining in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

DIRECTORY

Women's Missionary Society

1947 — 1948

Officers

President: Mrs. Fred Kloepper, Lancaster, Kansas.

First Vice President: Mrs. Ward Barber, Abilene, Kansas.

Second Vice President: Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, 7331 Park Ave., Kansas City, 5, Missouri.

Third Vice President: Mrs. George R. Whittecar, 234 S. Gillette, Tulsa, 4, Oklahoma.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Ernest Tonsing, 112 S. Knox, Topeka, Kansas.

Treasurer: Miss Helen Fink, 433 S. 6th, Atchison, Kansas.

Statistical Secretary: Mrs. M. H. Barton, 836 S. Madison Ave., Wichita 9, Kansas.

Elected Department Secretaries

Industrial Secretary: Mrs. R. E. Gaston, 313 N. Elm, Eureka, Kansas.

Historian and Education: Mrs. George Anderson, University Drive, Lawrence, Kansas.

Promotional Secretary: Mrs. Henry H. Christiansen, 2008 No. 31st, Kansas City 2, Kansas.

Appointed Secretaries

Special Aids: Mrs. George Search, 1207 Fort St., Hays, Kansas.

Deaconess: Mrs. Alfred L. Mendenhall, Box 355, Chapman, Kansas.

Life Membership and In Memoriam: Mrs. Walter Selle, 3935 Chestnut, Kansas City 4, Missouri.

Magazine: Mrs. Alfred Beil, 115 E. S. Park, Lawrence, Kansas.

Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer: Mrs. R. J. Tietz, 2309 Goff Ave., St. Joheph, Missouri.

Patron and Protege: Mrs. George Eller, Beloit, Kansas.

Student: Mrs. W. W. Alexander, 206 W. Seventh, Emporia, Kan.

Thank Offering: Mrs. Wilbur Klover, 310 S. Seventh, Salina, Kansas.

Editor for Kansas Synod Lutheran: Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, 1114 Amidon Ave., Wichita 3, Kansas.

Program Committee: (Chairman) Mrs. Kenneth Jackson, Morrowville, Kansas.

Proceedings

of the

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of the

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of the

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

HAYS, KANSAS

April 15 to 17, 1947

HOST CONGREGATION:

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Rev. George L. Search, Pastor

HAYS, KANSAS

Monday, April 14, 8:00 P.M.

The Executive Board held a business meeting to discuss and clarify matters to come before the Convention. Thirteen Board Members were present.

Tuesday, April 15, 8:30 A.M.

The Service of Holy Communion for the Synod and the Women's Missionary Society was held in Trinity Lutheran Church. The Rev. G. L. Search was liturgist, and the Rev. A. J. Beil, D.D., President of Synod, preached the Convention Sermon. The Rev. Charles F. Wiest, D.D., assisted at the Holy Communion.

Dr. Clarence Stoughton, official Representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, spoke at 11 o'clock.

Tuesday, April 15, 1:30 P.M.

Inspirational devotionals were given by Sister Eleanor Blumberg, on the topic, "A Message Straight From God."

Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, President, declared the Sixty-seventh Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States open for business.

The following officers and delegates were enrolled.
President: Mrs. C. C. Emmerich
Second Vice President: Mrs. G. R. Whittecar
Treasurer: Miss Helen Fink
Recording Secretary: Mrs. Ernest F. Tonsing
Statistical Secretary: Mrs. M. H. Barton
Industrial Secretary: Mrs. R. E. Gaston
Box Work Secretary: Mrs. G. L. Search
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Magazine: Mrs. Emma Wolf
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Thank Offering: Mrs. E. P. Boersch
Parliamentarian: Mrs. Pearl L. Schuler
Program Chairman: Mrs. J. O. Heiffner

Eastern Conference

Atchison: Miss Helen Fink
Bendena: Mrs. C. A. Freeberg; Mrs. Robert Elder
Kansas City, Kansas: Mrs. A. D. Havekost; Mrs. H. E. Burnett
Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial: Mrs. E. P. Boersch; Mrs. Thomas McCarty
Kansas City, Mo., St. Mark's: Mrs. Pearl Schuler; Miss Lillian Dentinger; King's Daughters, Mrs. U. P. Skaggs
Lancaster: Mrs. George Scholz
Lawrence: Mrs. Geraldine Durham; Mrs. Rae Riggs; Mrs. G. L. Anderson
St. Joseph, Mo.: Mrs. R. J. Tietz
Topeka: Mrs. V. J. Rasmussen

Southern Conference

Emporia: Mrs. E. T. Anderson
Eureka: Mrs. W. E. Marshall; Mrs. Henry Olson; Mrs. R. E. Gaston
Hutchinson: Mrs. E. R. Harrison
Tulsa, Okla.: Mrs. Raymond Korte; Mrs. G. R. Whittecar; Sister Eleanor Blumberg
Wichita: Mrs. H. R. McBratney; Mrs. George Walker; Mrs. R. L. Tonsing; Mrs. H. L. Wortz; Mrs. William Shaw; Mrs. W. J. Finke; Mission Daughters, Mrs. R. L. Mann, Miss Louise Easterday

Western Conference

Abilene: Mrs. M. O. Gellart
Chapman: Mrs. Stella Loy; Miss Edna Rolfe
Glasco: Mrs. Clara Pinkall
Greenleaf: Mrs. Franklin Shirck
Hays: Mrs. George L. Search; Mrs. Robert Hall; Mrs. Fred Mullen

Salina: Mrs. J. A. Lockstrom; Mrs. J. A. Schultz; Mrs. W. W. Klover; Evening Section, Mrs. Georgia Hancock

Wakeeney: Mrs. G. W. Gaither; Mrs. Lawrence Kroeger; Mrs. John Strodel

Waterville: Mrs. Linn Livers; Mrs. Elmer Mann

Mrs. J. O. Heiffner presented the program, which was adopted by the Convention.

The President made announcement that afternoon sessions would convene at 1:30 p.m., instead of at 1:00 o'clock.

Mrs. Van Hartman of Hays, gave the address of welcome. Mrs. G. R. Whittecar gave the response.

The delegates joined in singing "Happy Birthday" to Mrs. Emma Wolf.

Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting were read, as follows:

The Executive Board met at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hays, Kansas, Monday, April 14, at 8:00 P.M., with 13 members present.

Our President, Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, led in a helpful meditation on "Service," after which Mrs. Wolf led in prayer.

The following Recommendations were made:

1. That offerings be placed in the Synodical W.M.S. Treasury.
2. That the doors be closed during the devotionals.
3. That Life Members be given the privilege of voting.
4. That reading of the Minutes be dispensed with after the first business session.
5. That the Society set up a fund for Mexican Work, and that the President be empowered to appoint a committee of three to investigate the needs and administer the funds.
6. That a committee composed of the Student and Promotional secretaries, and Mrs. J. P. Jensen, write the student beneficiary at Midland now receiving Scholarship funds, to ascertain if she wishes to accept the Scholarship for the next year.
7. That we pay the $50 tuition, already advanced by Mrs. Emmerich to Jesucita Velez.
8. That we give a love gift of $10 to Nancy.

Motion to adjourn the Executive Committee meeting carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ernest Tonsing

The Report of the Executive Committee meeting was accepted, and the Recommendatoions were adopted by ad seriatum vote.

The following Committets were announced by the President:

Reporter to Kansas Synod Lutheran: Mrs. W. E. Marshall

Reporter to Lutheran Women's Work: Mrs. E. F. Tonsing

Reporter to The Lutheran: Mrs. Ray McBratney

Reporter to Local Paper: Kathryn McLain

Officers' Reports: Mrs. E. T. Anderson, Mrs. William Shaw, Mrs. Franklin Shirck

Education and Departmental Secretaries: Mrs. Stella Loy, Miss Louise Easterday, Mrs. H. E. Burnett

Secretary's Minutes: Mrs. A. L. Mendenhall, Mrs. U. P. Skaggs, Mrs. M. C. Gillart

Claims: Miss Helen Fink, Mrs. Wayne Easterday, Mrs. H. L. Wortz

Letters and Communications: Mrs. George Walker, Mrs. Raymond Korte, Mrs. Thomas McCarty

Resolutions: Miss Lillian Dentinger, Mrs. Georgia Hancock, Mrs. Elmer Mann

Tellers: Mrs. J. A. Schultz, Mrs. E. R. Harrison, Mrs. Walter Finke, Mrs. Robert Elder, Mrs. J. W. Gaither

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The Courtesy Chairman, Mrs. W. W. Klover, was introduced by the President, who, in turn, introduced: Miss Annie Sanford, guest missionary from India; two Pastors' wives, Mrs. C. A. Freeberg, and Mrs. C. J. Naugle.

Communications were read from Miss Lillith Schwab, Mrs. M. K. Jensen, Mrs. John Zimmerman, and Mrs. H. H. Christiansen.

Mrs. J. O. Heiffner read a Service of Remembrance, prepared by Mrs. Thomas Franck, Wellington, memorializing Mrs. Emma Runkle.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented by Mrs. J. Albert Schultz, chairman. Motion carried that the report be accepted.

Worship with offerings, with prayer of dedication by Miss Louise Easterday.

Mrs. R. E. Gaston presented India Lace, with appropriate readings on the theme, "May Jesus Christ Be Praised!"

Mrs. George Anderson was introduced by Mrs. Emmerich, as the person in charge of Book Sales, in place of Mrs. M. K. Jensen, absent.

Mrs. G. R. Whittecar, Vice President, presided while Mrs. Emmerich gave her President's Report.

Report of the President

We are humbly grateful to God for the privilege of assembling in this Sixty-seventh Annual Convention of our Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States. Great challenges are directed to us through all phases of our Christian service; the whole world is open to missionary endeavor as never before. Multitudes have never heard the Gospel and multitudes are in want; they are suffering and crying for sustenance and shelter and security.

"The Mission of the Church is missions, and we are a part of the Church."

In October it was the very great privilege of your President to attend the Triennial Convention in Johnstown, Pa. I attended all three

Conferences in their fall meetings, and brought some highlights from the Convention. Also gave talks to several missionary groups.

A Convention should not be just a recitation of past achievements, but should also cause us to look ahead. As a Synodical Society we have not shown much progress, yet I do know several societies have had fine increases in membership and also in offerings. Dr. Fry tell us: "The only secure base of the Protestant Church in the world today is in North America. It is folly to speak of evangelizing the rest of the world unless the homeland is strengthened. The two familiar needs are more, many more workers, and much more money!"

As a Synodical Society we extended our sympathies to the relatives of Mrs. Emma Runkle, a charter member of our Synodical Society, who had been President and Treasurer; also to the relatives of Mrs. E. S. Gaston, who had been a Synodical Treasurer and active worker. We regret the passing of a real friend of the Synodical Missionary Society; he did many, many acts of kindness prompted by his fine Christian character — Evan Tonsing. Many notes were sent to friends of our Synodical Society in times of distress and sorrow.

This past year has been one of the "happiest and busiest" in my life. It has all been such fine education in missions and the work of our Church. I want to express my thanks to all of the officers, department secretaries and members of all local societies. You were ever ready to work and co-operate in everything. May we all love the Lord and be ready to go "Forth With Thy Message" here in the homeland.

Letters and cards written, 489. Articles written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran, 8.

Recommendations

1. That we stress our membership growth urging each society to strive for a net increase of at least two new members in the coming year.
2. That we put forth every effort to emphasize the Thank Offering for the Triennium as this is the Triennial Special.
3. That we continue to pay $1200.00 yearly toward the support of Miss Lillith Schwab, our missionary in India.
4. That we make a change in the publicity in the Kansas Synod Lutheran. It is really much more effective to have our various departments presented twice during the year with short articles, rather than just once with longer articles. Therefore I recommend the following:

January: Mission Study, Promotional, Recording Secretary.
February: Deaconess, Magazine, "Our Missionary."
March: Industrial, Treasurer, Special Aids.
April: Convention Program.
May: Life Membership and In Memoriam, Thank Offering.
June: Student, Promotional, Education.
July: Patron and Protege, Mission Study, "Our Missionary."
September: Vice Presidents, Special Aids, Student.
October: Thank Offering, Treasurer, Life and In Memoriam.
November: Magazine, Education, Deaconess.

December: Statistician, Industrial, Patron and Protege.

5. That as Missionary Women we study our Lutheran Woman's Work more, read The Lutheran and other Church periodicals, so we may become better informed about the conditions and needs in the world. Also that we may learn just what is expected of each of us to aid in carrying out the plans of our Lutheran Church in this world program.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. C. C. Emmerich

Motion carried that this report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Miss Helen Fink, Treasurer, gave a full and complete report, which was accepted and referred by motion to the proper committee. In the absence of members of the Auditing Committee, Miss Fink read the report.

Report of the Auditing Committee

We have this date, February 27, 1947, audited the yearly Treasurer's Report, and find same to be correct in every detail, and have proved the balance in the bank to be $793.27.

Respectfully submitted,
Agnes Matthias
Mrs. Leslie W. Long

A motion carried that the report be accepted as read and referred to the proper committee.

Mr. Carlos Guzman, Mexican student at Western Seminary, was presented and spoke about his work.

A stewardship challenge, "Opportunity for Service," was made by the Rev. E. R. Harrison.

Pastor Harrison dismissed the session with prayer.

Tuesday, April 15, 7:30 P.M.

The Synod and Women's Missionary Society united at Trinity Lutheran Church for an inspirational song service, led by Miss Louise Easterday, and addressed by Miss Annie Sanford.

At 8:30, the service of Installation and Ordination brought an inspiring close to the day's sessions.

Wednesday, April 16, 8:30 A.M.

The combined sessions met in the Lutheran Church for devotions conducted by Prof. Richard Syre.

At 9:00 A.M., the Women's Missionary Society reconvened at the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. C. C. Emmerich read an inspiring poem.

The Secretary called the roll, and read the Minutes of the previous session.

Announcements.

A gratifying report was given by Mrs. M. H. Barton, Statistician. Motion carried that the report be accepted and referred to the proper committee.

Election of Officers was the next order of business. The election results were as follows:

President: Mrs. Fred Kloepper
First Vice President: Mrs. Ward Barber
Second Vice President: Mrs. J. O. Heiffner
Third Vice President: Mrs. George L. Whittecar
Recording Secretary: Mrs. Ernest F. Tonsing
Treasurer: Miss Helen Fink
Statistical Secretary: Mrs. M. H. Barton
Promotional Secretary: Mrs. Henry H. Christiansen
Industrial Secretary: Mrs. R. E. Gaston
Historian: Mrs. George L. Anderson.

The President then presented the Rev. R. E. Rangeler of Tabitha Home.

"Forth With Thy Message to Liberia" was the title of the stirring talk given by Nancy Nimineh Nah.

Mrs. R. J. Tietz presented highlights from next year's mission study.

Worship with offerings.

The Courtesy Chairman, Mrs. W. W. Klover, presented Mrs. Franklin Shirck.

Session dismissed with prayer.

Wednesday, April 16, 1:30 P.M.

Devotionals were given by Sister Eleanor Blumberg, "A Message Personal in Nature."

Thank Offering was presented by Mrs. E. P. Boersch, by a pictorial review of offerings.

Special Aids shower was in charge of Mrs. George L. Search.

The Rev. Charles Reinbrecht spoke forcefully on the need for laborers in mission fields.

Worship with offerings.

The Patron and Protege Secretary, Mrs. George Eller, presented, "Your Guests From Our Mission Fields," with dolls in native dress.

The Life and In Memoriam Shower, conducted by Mrs. Walter Selle, was beautifully done, using silver and gold links. Life members totalled 41. In Memoriam members totalled 6, and transferrals, 9.

Session dismissed by prayer.

Wednesday, April 16, 6:30 P.M.

The Convention Banquet was held at the Presbyterian Church. The program included beautiful musical numbers, and a play by a group of high school students. The speakers were Mrs. John Renning, and Prof. Richard R. Syre.

Thursday, April 17, 9:00 A.M.

The devotionals, "A Message Costly in Its Demands," were given by Sister Eleanor Blumberg.

Re-echoes from the Triennial Convention were given by Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, Miss Helen Fink, Mrs. George Walker, and Mrs. Rae Riggs.

Mrs. Robert L. Tonsing presented helpful suggestions for "Visual Aids," and "Children of the Church."

Reports of the Convention Committees followed.

Mrs. Stella Loy presented the report of Committee on Education and Departmental Secretaries.

Committee on Education and Departmental Secretaries

The Committee has read with commendation the reports of these secretaries.

We are gratified that there has been some progress, but much more needs to be done to show how much we love our Lord. We are thankful for their efforts and faithfulness.

We recommend that these reports be considered and studied by each society and the proper knowledge of all our work be made available to the local groups.

We urge the reading of "Lutheran Women's Work," and "The Lutheran."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Stella Loy
Louise Easterday
Mrs. H. E. Burnett

Motion to accept this report carried.

The report of the Committee on Officers Reports was given by Mrs. E. T. Anderson.

Report of Committee on Officers Reports

After due consideration, the Committee recommends the adoption of the Recommendations included in the President's Report.

The very efficient work done and the time given to her duties is deeply appreciated.

We commend all other officers for their fine reports and accurate records.

We recommend that the reports of the officers be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. E. T. Anderson
Mrs. William Shaw

Motion carried that the above report be accepted.

The Recommendations in the President's Report were then considered and adopted as presented, with the exception of an amendment to Recommendation Four, inserting an article on Student Work in the Kansas Synod Lutheran in September, and one on Life and In Memoriam in October.

Miss Lillian Dentinger presented the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

As the Sixty-seventh Annual Convention of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States adjourns, the Committee on Resolutions presents the following:

1. That we thank our Heavenly Father for His guidance and inspiration in making possible this Sixty-seventh Annual Convention.

2. That we express our sincere appreciation to the Rev. and Mrs. G. L. Search and the members and friends of Trinity Lutheran Church for the hearty and genuine hospitality extended to our Convention.

3. That we express our gratitude to the Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian churches for the splendid co-operation given us in numerous ways.

4. That we are grateful for the untiring efforts and faithful service of our President, Mrs. C. C. Emmerick.

5. That we express our gratitude to all of the officers and departmental secretaries for the efficient service rendered the Synodical Society during the past year.

6. That we express our thanks to the organist, soloists, choir, and all other musicians who added inpiration to our programs.

7. That we express deepest appreciation to Miss Annie Sanford, Sister Eleanor Blumberg, Miss Louise Easterday, Dr. Charles Reinbrecht, Prof. Richard R. Syre, Mr. Carlos Guzman, and Mrs. John Renning for the honor of their presence and their inspiration.

8. That we express our thanks to Mrs. Jacob Nah (nee Nancy Nimineh) for the challenge her inspirational message gave us. Our prayers will follow her and we trust that her desire to complete her education so that she may soon return to her native land and people may be realized.

9. That we are grateful to our brethren for sharing their speakers with us.

10. That we thank Mrs. R. L. Tonsing for sharing her visual aids with us.

11. That we extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Carl Schuler for the writing of the words of the song the Executive Board sang at our banquet.

12. That we thank the high school students and their faculty adviser for the splendid play given at our banquet.

13. That we appreciate the publicity expressed through the local press.

14. That we extend our heartfelt thanks to all others who co-operated so harmoniously in making this Convention a success.

15. That we thank the students of Fort Hays college for the work done in making favors for our banquet, and the emblem on our badges.

16. That we express our gratitude to Dr. C. F. Wiest for designing the artistic cover for the banquet programs.

17. That during these critical days we pledge ourselves to co-oper-

ate in the relief of human suffering through our Special Aids department.

18. That as Christia women we recognize that the price of an enduring peace means continual personal sacrifices, hard work, and constant prayer to discover the will of God for our times, and to "Go Forth with Thy Message" which has been so effectively presented to us during this our Sixty-seventh Annual Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Lillian E. Dentinger
Mrs. Elmer Mann
Mrs. B. W. Hancock

The motion to accept this report carried.

Mrs. A. L. Mendenhall presented the report of Committee on Secretary's Minutes.

Report of Committee on Secretary's Minutes

We, the Committee on Secretary's Minutes, have read and found them correct. Therefore, they stand approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. A. L. Mendenhall
Mrs. M. C. Gellert
Mrs. U. P. Skaggs

The motion to accept this report carried.

Mrs. George E. Walker presented the report of the Committee on Letters and Communications.

Report of the Committee on Letters and Communications

The following letters and cards have been mailed from the Sixty-seventh Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States:

Miss Lillith Schwab (India), Miss Mae Rohlfs (China), Mrs. Henry Christensen, Mrs. Magda K. Jensen, Mrs. Fred Juergensen, Mrs. John Zimmerman, Mrs. Thomas Frack, Mrs. A. J. Beil, Miss Grace See, the Rev. George L. Search, Dr. A. J. Beil, Miss Agnes Christensen, Miss Selma Beil, Mrs. Ward Barber, Mrs. Margaret Hawkinson Coleman.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. George E. Walker
Mrs. Raymond H. Korte
Mrs. Thomas McCarty

The motion to accept this report carried.

Mrs. Wayne Easterday presented the report of the Committee on Claims.

Report of the Committee on Claims

Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, President	$ 83.22
Mrs. George Whittecar, Vice President	12.85
Miss Helen Fink, Treasurer	23.41

Mrs. Ernest Tonsing, Recording Secretary	4.70
Mrs. M. H. Barton, Statistical Secretary	5.80
Mrs. R. E. Gaston, Industrial Secretary	6.00
Mrs. John Zimmerman, Deaconess Secretary	1.00
Mrs. Walter Selle, Life Membership and In Memoriam	18.87
Mrs. Emma Wolf, Magazine Secretary	6.15
Mrs. R. J. Tietz, Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer	14.90
Mrs. George Eller, Patron and Protege Secretary	2.50
Mrs. E. P. Boersch, Thank Offering Secretary	16.57
Mrs. Carl Schuler, Parliamentarian	13.16
Mrs. J. O. Heiffner, Program Chairman	13.17
Mrs. George Walker, Communications	1.00
Nancy Nah, Gift and Expense	17.75
Annie Sanford, Gift and Expense	22.00
	$263.05

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Wayne Easterday
Mrs. H. L. Wortz
Miss Helen Fink

Motion carried that the report of the Committee on Claims be accepted.

The total Convention offerings were	$ 56.23
Special Aids, cash	$132.00

A motion carried to present $15.00 as a love gift to Miss Annie Sanford.

A motion carried to defray expenses of shipping Special Aids out of the General fund.

Motion carried that a committee be appointed, with Mrs. J. O. Heiffner as chairman, to determine the possibility of holding the national convention in Kansas City in the year 1952.

Miss Sanford "took leave" of the Convention in the traditional manner of the people of India.

The candlelight installation of officers-elect was held, officers lighting the candles of delegates.

Mrs. Fred Kloepper declared the 67th Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States closed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ernest F. Tonsing,
Recording Secretary

Report of the First Vice-President

A joint rally of the groups of our churches of the Eastern Conference was held in St. Joseph, Mo., October 20, 1946, at 4:00 P.M. The opening devotionals were under the direction of Pastor Arthur Freeburg of Bendena.

At the business session of the Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. R.

J. Tietz of St. Joseph was elected secretary-treasurer of the Eastern Conference.

Mr. Carlos Guzman gave a resume of his work among his people (Mexicans) in Omaha, Nebraska. An offering of $42.10 was received and voted to be presented to Mr. Guzman to be used in the furthering of this Missionary project.

It was voted to have an extra meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Eastern Conference next year (1947). Mrs. Walter Selle, Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Walter Tschorn, Atchison, and Mrs. R. J. Tietz, St. Joseph, Mo., were named a committee to work out plans.

Mrs. Emmerich, Synodical President, brought spiritual highlights and Miss Helen Fink brought matters of financial interest to the Conference from the National Convention held at Johnstown, Pa., October 3-7, 1946.

Eleven synodical officers and secretaries and approximately 100 women were in attendance.

A joint vesper service, with the message of the evening brought by Dr. Frederick Weertz of Des Moines, Iowa, closed the conference.

Mrs. Fred Kloepper.

Report of the Second Vice President

The Southern Conference of the Women's Missionary Society met at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Emporia, October 22, 1946, with a good attendance. The theme, "We are Workers Together with God." was used, and devotions were led by Mrs. H. H. Busch, Eureka, and Sister Blumberg, Tulsa, Okla. Miss Louise Easterday acted as secretary and read the minutes of 1945. Mrs. Metzdorf, Emporia, welcomed the visitors.

Highlighting the conference were reports of the W.M.S. Convention held at Johnstown, Pa., brought by Mrs. C. C. Emmerich, synodical president, and Mrs. Geo. E. Walker, Wichita, who had just returned from the national meeting. They spoke on "Echoes of the Convention," and "Convention Highlights." A report also was given by Mrs. Robert Tonsing, Children of the Church secretary, and Mrs. B. P. Sibole discussed the mission study material available for the year. Sister Eleanor Blumberg spoke on the work of the diaconate. A "Secretaries Quiz," by Mrs. R. E. Gaston and Mrs. E. R. Harrison, presented the departmental work in an interesting manner.

Guest speaker of the afternoon was Mrs. Guy Rogers, a member of Mt. Olivet Church, A.M.E., Emporia, who spoke on "America's Opportunity." Special music was furnished by Mrs. Mayme Bowling and Mr. Herman Baehr, Midland alumnus who is teaching at Kansas State College. The offering ($27.00) from the meeting was sent to Miss Lilith Schwab, our missionary in India.

At noon a delicious luncheon was served by the Emporia women. During the lunch hour, the Rev. George R. Whittecar, synodical director of Lutheran World Action, spoke on the urgency of that appeal.

Mrs. Geo. R. Whittecar.

Report of the Third Vice-President

Early in September, 1946, our secretary, Miss Avis Jackson, sent out invitations to all societies in the Western Conference and also to churches not having missionary socities, to attend the fall meeting at Glasco, October twenty-third.

The program for the day was built around the theme, "Seek Peace and Pursue It." The Western Conference vice-president, Miss Sophia Horn, brought greetings from the Glasco society to which Mrs. Glen Ellder of Washington responded.

Mrs. Jackson led the morning devotions. The study books for 1946-47 were presented by Mrs. J. Albert Schultz of Salina, and Mrs. R. L. Tonsing of Wichita discussed Children of the Church. The morning closed with a splendid address on "Peace in the Hearts of Men" by the Rev. O. K. Oelke of Glasgo. A covered dish luncheon was served in the Christian Church by the two hostess societies.

The afternoon devotions were presented by Mrs. A. L. Mendenhall of Chapman, after which our synodical president, Mrs. Emmerich, gave a most interesting report of the Triennial Convention. A very fine address was given by the Rev. R. R. Hanselmann of Tescott on "Peace on Earth." Rev. Hanselmann spent ten years as a missionary to New Guinea.

Music for the day was furnished by Miss Laura Olson at the organ and by several Glasco high school girls. There was time for discussion from the floor on several topics.

The registered attendance was 75 with eight societies represented. The offering for the day, $32.00, was sent as a love gift to Miss Lilith Schwab in India. An invitation to meet in Beloit next year was accepted.

Mrs. Ward Barber.

Report of the Special Aids (Box Work) Secretary

The aim of the Box Work Department is to supply for Home and Foreign Mission fields articles not obtainable in the fields, and needs not ordinarily provided for in the budget, and to provide through the Board of American Missions a fund to meet emergency needs of Home Mission Pastors.

Our resources are the members of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, who supply such needs and funds through free will gifts.

The number of boxes sent, Home and Foreign, was 149.

Mrs. George L. Search.

Report of the Deaconess Secretary

Deaconess Secretaries are the promoters of full-time service for women workers in the Church as deaconesses and lay women who will prepare through our Motherhouse schools. During the past year:

1. A letter about the deaconess cause was sent to each society.

2. An article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.
3. I attended the Eastern Conference at St. Joseph, Mo.
4. Correspondence with Mrs. Funck and Sister Mildred Winter has kept this department informed on the latest developments.

News was passed on from the quarterly bulletins and literature was given out at the Synodical Convention. All new pamphlets have been filed.

The highlight of the year was the visit of the Field Secretary, Sister Mildred Winter, at the convention and in our local congregations. Your secretary accompanied her to Lawrence. Many new friends and added interest were the result of her inspirational talks.

Let us all be like our deaconesses; they are recognized as specialists in the art of human helpfulness.

Mrs. John Zimmerman.

Report of Patron and Protege Secretary

Rockport, Mo., A friend, Native Woman Worker, India	$ 50.00
St. Joseph, Mo., W.M.S. Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
St. Joseph, Mo., W.M.S. (Dramatic Club) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
Wichita W.M.S. Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
Wichita W.M.S. 64W—African Student	40.00
Wichita Mission Daughters (Lael SS Class) Baby in Liberia—35W	50.00
Wichita Mission Daughters (Lael SS Class) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
Emporia W.M.S. Day Pupil 121W, India	6.25
Greenleaf W.M.S. Day Pupil 141W, India	25.00
Kansas City, Mo., (St. Marks) W.M.S. Chinese Student, 114W	40.00
Lancaster W.M.S. (Mr. and Mrs. Karl Scholz) Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
Rockport, Mo., Ladies Aid, Chinese Student 30W	40.00
Rockport, Mo., Sunday School Class, Baby in nursery, Liberia 70W	50.00
Salina W.M.S. Even. Sec. Student nurse 87W, China	16.25
Wichita W.M.S. Chinese Student 24W	40.00
Wichita W.M.S. (Sunday School) Scholarship 134W South America	60.00
Wichita Mission Daughters, Chinese Student 36W	40.00
Wichita Mission Daughters, Chinese Student 56W	40.00
Wichita Mission Daughters, Native Woman Worker, India	50.00
TOTAL	$797.50

Report of the Promotion Secretary

With reference to the work of the Promotion department, during the past year:

Two articles were written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

One letter was sent to all societies with reference to the Triennial Convention and 9th Congress held last fall at Johnstown, Pa., enclosing leaflets covering the program data, registration blanks, etc.

A second letter was forwarded to all societies requesting news items and pictures to be used in the May issue of Lutheran Woman's Work. Thank you for your cooperation. All material received has been sent on to the Philadelphia office to be used as the Promotion Secretaries see fit.

A number of questionnaires sent to me by the Promotion Division have been completed and returned, or forwarded to the proper persons for completion.

A written message was presented to the Eastern Conference meeting, inasmuch as I could not attend in person.

This coming year I would like to have each congregation make an effort to have at least two societies—the usual afternoon group, and, in addition, an evening group for those who cannot attend at any other time. In this way we can be certain of reaching out to all the women of the church.

Mrs. Henry H. Christiansen.

Report of the Life and In Memoriam Secretary

Let us pause to pay tribute to our beloved charter member, Mrs. Emma Runkle, who died July 4th, 1946, and who has been memorialized by her children through the Women's Missionary Society of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Waterville.

We of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States are most happy to report that the Women's Missionary Society of St. John's Lutheran Church, Lancaster, has the distinctive honor of being the first society in our Synod to reach to goal: one hundred per cent Life Memberships. Will your group be the next one?

This past year we have enrolled 57 Life, 7 In Memoriam and 6 Transferral memberships. This is a total of $835.00. The need is great and we are answering the call for help through our efforts in this department but let's not be satisfied.

Two letters have been sent out to each society with membership blanks encouraging them to use the Life and In Memoriam Memberships to honor their children, friends, loved ones, fellow worker, officers, Sunday school departments and classes. In this way we will "Go Forth with His Word."

Mrs. Walter Selle.

Report of the Industrial Secretary

This department has continued to feel the effects of the war because no lace was shipped to us from India, but we are hopeful that it will be available soon. In the meantime, I am thankful that we have continued to remember the women and children in India by the gifts of money we have made. Our India Lace offerings increased this year to $276.57.

During the year, letters were sent to each society with a copy of the India Lace Day playlet, an article was written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran, and the India Lace work was presented at the Southern Conference meeting.

Report of the Magazine Secretary

I am sorry to report that our "Honor Roll" has slipped a little in comparison to the many new active members gained. You are missing such splendid information about our missionary activities that I think you should know. If the members who receive "The Lutheran Woman's Work" would lend their magazine to a non-subscriber, I am sure more would want it another year.

I attended the Western Conference at Glasco, where I gave a report on the magazine. Also wrote an article for the Kansas Synod Lutheran. We have 13 societies on the "Honor Roll."

Cole Camp, Mo., W.M.S.; Kansas City, Mo., Ch. Mem., W.M.S.; Washington, W.M.S.; Beloit, W.M.S.; Valley Falls, W.M.S.; Tulsa, Okla., Woman's Guild; Emporia, W.M.S.; Kansas City, Kan., Trinity, W.M.S.; Waterville, St. Mark's, W.M.S.; Lancaster, W.M.S.; Abilene, Lutheran Women's Society; Hays, Women of Church; Ft. Smith, Ark., W.M.S.

Mrs. Emma Wolf.

Report of the Student Secretary

In connection with our usual plan, the annual student census was taken in October. It is sponsored by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church and is directed by the synodical Committee on Work With Students on cooperation with the Women's Missionary Society. There is a much greater number of students to report this year. The total reached 232 which is an increase of 124 over last year. Of this number, 25 are attending Lutheran schools while 207 are studying at non-Lutheran institutions. It was reported that five young men are preparing for the gospel ministry and one young woman is planning to enter Christian Service.

Having been studying at a Lutheran College for several months, your secretary has become more aware of the many advantages this type of institution has to offer. It is our desire that many more young people will join us that they, too, may take advantage of living in a Christian environment and associating with other Christian young people while preparing for their life work.

Selma Beil.

Report of the Thank-Offering Secretary

A letter was sent to each society, enclosing literature, with suggestions for Thank-offering programs. Also enclosed a letter from our general secretary, Mrs. Skocpol. One article was sent to the Kansas Synod Lutheran. Also planned an itinerary for Miss Agnes Christenson.

As you know, triennial emphasis is on Thank-offering. To us comes the challenge to proclaim the gospel of Christ as we've never done before. The fields are truly ripe for harvesting. Shall we prove worthy of this great opportunity? God gives abundantly; let us give abundantly so that all the world our Christ will know and love.

"When thou hast thanked thy God for every blessing sent,
What time will then remain for murmur or lament?"

Mrs. E. P. Boersch.

Report of the Historian and Education Secretary

Items of interest, synodically and nationally have been added to the files on hand,—in addition to the monthly copies of the Kansas Synod Lutheran, and the minutes of the 1946 convention.

One article was also written for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

Magda K. Jensen.

Report of Mission Study and Lenten Week of Prayer

A letter was sent out to all Societies in October urging the use of the valuable materials available for us at this time. The second letter was prepared for mailing early in February. However, the material from Headquarters did not reach me until March 11. It was of no value to the Societies since both "The Hour of Prayer" and "The Lenten Week of Prayer" were in February. In January an article was written for Kansas Synod Lutheran. We hope that we may be of more help to the Mission Study classes and that we serve more efficiently in all phases of this part of our work in the future.

Mrs. R. J. Tietz.

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Atchison, Kans., Missionites	Miss Helen Fink	433 South 6th	Miss Beulah Blohm	421 North 7th
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Lawrence, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Geo. Anderson	R.F.D. No. 4	Mrs. Edith Hyre	1145 Rhode Island
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Chapman, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Glenn Miller	Chapman, Kans.	Mrs. Curt Engwicht	Chapman, Kans.
Glasco, Kans., W. M. S.	Miss Emma Grau	Glasco, Kans.	Miss Maggie Tobold	Glasco, Kans.
Greenleaf, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Franklin Shirck	Greenleaf, Kans.	Mrs. E. W. Holden	Greenleaf, Kans.
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Washington, Kans., W.M.S.	Mrs. Glen Elder	Washington, Kans.	Mrs. Geo. Waterman	Washington, Kans.
Waterville, Kans., St. Mark's, W. M. S.	Mrs. D. Linn Livers	R. 1, Barnes, Kans.	Miss Maude Livers	Waterville, Kans.
Waterville, Kans., Hebron, W. M. S.	Mrs. Ellen Toburen	Waterville, Kans.	Mrs. Robt. Jacobson	Waterville, Kans.
Wilson, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Ralph Vague	R. 1, Wilson, Kans.	Mrs. Emma Hanzlicek	R. 1 Wilson, Kans.
Emporia, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. M. W. Metzdorf	411 West St.	Mrs. E. T. Anderson	902 S. Commercial
Emporia, Kans., L. W. C.	Mrs. Laura M. Spade	609 Exchange	Miss Hazel Swenson	416 Exchange St.
Eureka, Kans., Cotta Soc.	Mrs. Murray Holmes	809 East 3rd	Mrs. W. E. Marshall	302 N. St. Nicholas
Ft. Smith, Ark., W. M. S.	Mrs. Paul Adrian	1501 Spring St.	Mrs. A. B. O'Neal, Jr.,	725 North 16th
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Peabody, Kans., W. M. S.	Mrs. Mary Wehry	612 N. Maple	Miss Carrie Dietrich	Peabody, Kans.
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STATISTICAL REPORT

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA—SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES—1946

Eastern Conference

No. Cong. Having W.M.S.	No. Cong. in Synod	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	MEMBERSHIP						Personnel of Society			EDUCATION DIVISION								PROM. DIV.			DIV. OF SPEC. GIFTS			
												Mission Study			Prayer Week											
			Active—Under 30 Years of Age	Active—Over 30 Years of Age	Total Active Membership	Associate—Under 30 Years of Age	Associate—Over 30 Years of Age	Total Associate Membership	How Many Mem. Are Students?	How Many Homemakers?	Business & Prof. Women	No. Study Groups N. Am. Missions	No. Study Groups World Missions	No. Persons in Groups	No. Completing Reading Course	Observe Week of Prayer	Number of Meetings Held	No. Use Programs by Educat. Div.?	No. Magazine Subscriptions	No. Soc. that Use Prog. of Education Division	Distributed Missionary Literature	New ACTIVE Mem. Since June 30	Is Deaconess Cause Presented Annually?	Patron & Protege: No. of Nationals, etc.	No. of Public Thank-Offering Services	No. of Boxes to Home Missions	No. Boxes to Foreign Missions
1	1	Atchison, W. M. S.		25	25					25			1	67		Yes	5	Yes	21	Yes					Yes		6
		Missionites	1	11	12					4	8					Yes	1	Yes	6	Yes			Yes		Yes	2	
1	1	Bendena, Circle No. 1		23	23	2		2		24									15	Yes			Yes		Yes	25	10
		Circle No. 2	3	22	25				2	23						Yes	1	Yes	18		Yes		Yes		Yes	1	1
1	1	Cole Camp, Mo., W. M. S.		9	9		4	4		13			1	21		Yes	5	Yes	10	Yes						4	
1	1	K. C., K., Trin., W. M. S.		11	11		5	5		16		1				Yes	1	Yes	15	Yes							2
		Philadora	15	4	19	10	1	11		17	13	1		30		Yes	1	Yes	10	Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		1
2	2	K. C., M., C. M., W. M. S.		16	16		1	1		16	1	1	1	10		Yes	7	Yes	18	Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		
		Luminaire	8	7	15					9	6								4	Yes		2	Yes				1
		K. C., M., St. M., W. M. S		41	41		10	10		34	7	2	2	118					34			3		1	Yes		7
		King's Daughters	11	10	21					11	10	1	1	15	6	Yes	1	Yes	5		Yes	2	Yes		Yes		1
1	1	Lancaster, W. M. S.	2	14	16					14	2								17	Yes	Yes			1	Yes		
1	1	Lawrence, W. M. S.		38	38		9	9		43	4					Yes	3	Yes	34	Yes		3	Yes		Yes		4
		Naomi	4	7	11					8	3					Yes	3	Yes	3	Yes	Yes	3	Yes		Yes		
1	1	Moray, W. M. S.	2	12	14	1	2	3		14									7			2					2
1	1	St. Joseph, Mo., W. M. S		35	35		25	25		51	9	3	2	260		Yes	5	Yes	32	Yes		4	Yes	2	Yes	1	1
1	1	Topeka, W. M. S.	1	11	12					11	1								10	Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		1
1	1	Valley Falls, Mission Guild		9	9					5	4								10	Yes			Yes		Yes		
12	12	Total	47	305	352	13	57	70	2	338	68	9	8	521	6	11	33	11	269	14	7	19	12	4	14	33	37

Western Conference

1	1	Abilene, W. M. S.		30	30					27	3					Yes	8		31	Yes			Yes		Yes		6
1	1	Beloit, W. M. S.		10	10					10									14	Yes			Yes		Yes		
1	1	Chapman, W. M. S.		15	15		3	3		18		1	1	18	1				12	Yes	Yes	1	Yes		Yes	1	
1	1	Glasco, W. M. S.		13	13		3	3		11	5								10	Yes		1					
1	1	Greenleaf, W. M. S.	1	13	14					14						Yes	5	Yes	12	Yes	Yes		Yes				2
1	1	Hays, Wom. of the Ch.	3	20	23	5	5	10		23									23		Yes		Yes		Yes	1	1
1	1	Salina, W. M. S.		34	34			18		52		1	1	55		Yes	5	Yes	22	Yes	Yes				Yes		9
		Evening Section		12	12					1	11								3	Yes			Yes	1	Yes		
Wakeeney			8	19	27		1	1		28		1		15		Yes	2	Yes	22	Yes	Yes	11			Yes		
1	1	Washington, W. M. S.		14	14					14									14	Yes	Yes	1	Yes		Yes		
1	1	Waterville, W. M. S.		10	10		2	2		10	1								11	Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		1
		Hebron	5	15	20		4	4		23	1								18	Yes		1	Yes		Yes		
1	1	Wilson, W. M. S.	4	19	23					22	1					Yes			17	Yes	Yes	2	Yes				
			81	377	458	6	15	41		358	93	21	8	82	1	31	20	3	309	12	81	20	10	11	15	2	19

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1	1	Emporia, W. M. S.			19			3					2	12		Yes	5	Yes	22	Yes			Yes		Yes		3
		L. W. C.			10															Yes			Yes				
1	1	Eureka, Cotta Society		20	20					20									10	Yes			Yes		Yes		2
1	1	Fort Smith, Ark., W. M. S		9	9		2	2		11						Yes	5	Yes	9	Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		1
		St. Luke's Guild	8	1	9					5	4					Yes	5	Yes	2				Yes		Yes		1
1	1	Hutchinson, W. M. S.		15	15					15						Yes	5	Yes	35	Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		3
		Zion Daughters	NO	REPORT																							
1	1	Peabody, W. M. S.		7	7					5	2								6	Yes			Yes				
		Martha Missionary		15	15					10	5								3	Yes		3					
1	1	Tulsa, Okla., Wom. Guild	10	24	34				1	23	8	1	2	38		Yes	5	Yes	29	Yes	Yes	3	Yes		Yes	1	2
1	1	Wellington, W. M. S.		12	12					12			1	12					9	Yes					Yes		6
†		Fidelis	3	9	12					7	5									Yes		3			Yes		
1	1	Wichita, W. M. S.		52	52	43	37	80		52		2	2	243	29				47	Yes	Yes	11	Yes	1	Yes	5	22
		Mission Daughters	8	39	47	29	26	55	22	51	29		1	53					22	Yes		16	Yes	2	Yes	7	5
		Total	29	203	261	72	65	140	23	211	53	3	8	358	29	5	25	5	194	12	4	36	10	3	10	13	45
		Conference Totals																									
12	12	Eastern Conference	47	305	352	13	57	70	2	338	68	9	8	521	6	11	33	11	269	14	7	19	12	4*	14	33	37
11	11	Western Conference	21	224	245	5	18	41		253	22	3	2	88	1	5	20	3	209	12	8	20	10	1	12	2	19
9	9	Southern Conference	29	203	261	72	65	140	23	211	53	3	8	358	29	5	25	5	194	12	4	36	10	3	10	13	45
32	32	Grand Total	97	722	858	90	140	251	25	802	143	15	18	967	36	21	78	19	672	38	19	75	32	8	36	48	101

* Disbanded, Sept. 1, 1945
† No report

This report is filled out by Mrs. M. H. Barton, 836 South Madison, Wichita, Kansas

Total includes $132.46
Convention offerings
$13.50 Box Work unidentified

	General Fund	Synodical Fee	Lilith Schwab	Thank Offering	Christmas	Lenten	Life	In Memoriam	Lace	Tabitha	World Day of Prayer	Triennial Objective	Midland Scholarships	Box Work	Patron & Protege	Associate	L.W.A.	Totals
Abilene, W. M. S.	36.00	12.00	45.00	50.14					5.00			100.00	5.00	7.00				260.14
Atchison, W. M. S.	30.00	10.00	36.00	61.50	13.65	6.00	20.00		5.00			32.00	5.65	3.50				223.30
Atchison, Missionites	14.40	4.80	10.00	25.21		4.61						7.00						66.02
Beloit, W. M. S.	12.00	4.00	15.00	31.96	4.50				1.00			1.00	1.00					70.46
Bendena, Circle No. 1	24.00	8.00	36.00	18.65	8.35				3.00	5.00		40.00						143.00
Bendena, Circle No. 2	31.00		45.00	24.00			10.00		2.85			50.00	5.00				25.00	192.85
Chapman, W. M. S.	15.30	5.10	19.50	37.20	2.00		10.00		14.11			48.54	3.34	3.65				158.74
Cole Camp, W. M. S.	11.70	3.45	13.90	43.09		9.05			13.28			20.00	4.75	5.00		5.10		129.32
Emporia, W. M. S.	22.80	7.60	24.00			3.84			2.00			75.00	2.00		6.25			143.49
Emporia, Luth W. Circle	12.00	4.00	4.00	41.01														61.01
Eureka, Cotta Society	24.00	8.00	30.00	46.00			20.00		5.35					3.25				136.60
Forth Smith, W. M. S.	14.10	4.70	14.93	20.92		16.00						17.25						87.90
Fort Smith, Guild	10.80	3.60	10.14				10.00					20.00						54.54
Glasco, W. M. S.	14.10	4.70	17.65	14.50	5.00				6.00				1.00			6.00		68.95
Greenleaf, W. M. S.	16.80	5.60	21.00	48.72		7.55	10.00		2.50	10.00			5.00	5.00	25.00			157.17
Hays, Women's Miss. Council	33.60		41.75	72.63			30.00		8.55				10.00	17.00				213.53
Hutchinson, W. M. S.	15.00					10.19	40.00	15.00						6.50				89.69
Hutchinson, Daughters of Zion	14.70	4.90		3.00								10.00						32.60
K.C.K. Trinity W.M.S.	16.80	5.60	21.00	46.90	8.10	8.25	40.00		7.50	5.00		35.00	4.00	6.50		4.00		208.65
K.C.K. Philadora S.	22.80	7.60	28.50	60.72	5.00	17.75	20.00	25.00	7.50			40.62	5.00	4.25		3.00		247.74
K.C. St. Mark's W.M.S.	45.90	15.20	80.00	120.00	13.00	12.75	70.00	50.00	16.00	25.00		28.00	10.00	5.00	40.00	8.00	60.00	629.85
K.C. King's Daughter's	17.10	5.70	21.39			8.20	10.00		10.00			25.00	5.00	5.00				107.39
K.C. Children's Memorial W.M.S.	20.40	6.80	25.50	79.40	11.00			40.00	7.00			42.00	2.00	2.00		1.00		237.10
K.C. Luminaire S.	18.00	6.00	22.50	52.58								42.00		2.00				143.08
Lancaster, W.M.S.	19.20	6.40	24.00	110.25	9.25		50.00		16.40			68.60	7.40	5.00	50.00			366.50
Lawrence, W. M. S.	42.00	15.20	49.50	130.00	5.00	20.00	10.00		15.00			40.00	10.00			9.00		345.70
Lawrence, Naomi group	17.60		16.50	27.70									5.00	2.00				68.80
Moray, W. M. S.	15.80	5.00	19.00	27.00	5.00				2.00				2.00				15.00	90.80
Peabody, W. M. S.	8.40	2.80	10.10	40.00			10.00		3.00			15.60						89.90
Peabody, Martha Society	18.40	6.00	25.50	32.25				15.00		15.00						1.00		113.15
Rock Port, Mo., Church				37.88											140.00			177.88
Salina, W. M. S.	49.99	12.40	46.50	77.00	5.75		20.00			25.00		23.00	6.20			11.00		281.84

Salina Evening Society	14.40	4.80	18.00	107.18			10.00					30.00		5.00	16.25			205.63
St. Joseph, Mo., W. M. S.	42.00	14.00	52.50	121.43		15.21	20.00	25.00	25.13			83.20		1.50	100.00	28.00		527.97
Topeka, W. M. S.	14.40	6.40	18.00	45.00			10.00		5.00			1.70	6.00	10.00				116.50
Tulsa, Guild A.	21.60	7.20	27.00			38.05		25.00				110.00		2.00				230.85
Tulsa, Guild B.	9.00	3.00	15.00															27.00
Valley Falls, Miss. Guild	8.10	2.70	12.00						7.00			20.00	.90					50.70
Wakeeney, W. M. S.	22.80	7.60	21.00	58.95	5.75	5.16	10.00		2.90			46.68	5.00	5.00				190.84
Washington, W. M. S. & Ladies Aid	15.60	5.20	19.50	72.53					14.00	5.00			5.00					136.83
Waterville, St. Mark's	12.60		3.00	17.00	2.90			15.00			2.00		.70					53.20
Waterville, Hebron	25.20	3.60		13.00									2.90			5.00		49.70
Wellington, W. M. S.	12.00	2.00	15.00	48.25					2.00									79.25
Wellington Fildelis	6.00		10.00										11.00					27.00
Wichita, W. M. S.	60.00	20.00	75.15	412.85	44.04	30.25	60.00	30.00	26.25	471.00		121.50	20.36		190.00	80.00		1,651.40
Wichita, Mission Daughters	53.40	17.80	65.38	193.14		11.89	80.00	25.00	26.25	120.00	17.65	28.93	13.16		230.00	55.00		962.60
Wilson, W. M. S.	22.20	7.20	5.00	56.66	6.00	1.55			15.00			44.73	3.48					161.82
Western Conference																		32.00
Southern Conference																		27.00
TOTALS	1003.99	286.65	1130.39	2526.20	154.29	226.30	570.00	265.00	267.57	681.00	19.65	1277.35	167.84	106.15	797.50	216.10	100.00	10,072.94
Balance Jan. 10, 1946	27.90	409.19	228.58	330.61	9.50		20.00			5.00		100.83	114.95			.70		1,247.26
Grand Total	1031.89	828.30	1358.97	2856.81	163.79	226.30	590.00	265.00	276.57	686.00	19.65	1378.18	282.79	119.65	797.50	216.80	100.00	11,321.20
Disbursements	1030.00	413.49	1200.00	2851.79	163.79	226.30	590.00	265.00	276.57	686.00	19.65	1373.84	80.00	116.00	797.50	215.00	100.00	10,537.98
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1947	1.89	414.81	158.97	5.02								4.34	202.79	3.65		1.80		783.27

INCLUDED IN TOTALS—

Wichita, Mission Daughters, Rocky Boy Fund $25.00.
K. C. St. Mark's W.M.S., Lilith Schwab Personal, $11.00; Western Conference $32.00: Southern Conference $27.00: Total $70.00.
Hutchinson W.M.S. Liberia $3.00: Total $3.00.
K. C. St. Mark's W.M.S., India School Sale $5.00: Total $5.00.
K. C. St. Mark's W.M.S., Midland B. F., $10.00: Total $10.00.
K. C. St. Mark's W.M.S., and Salina W.M.S., Leper Fund, $5.00 each: Total $10.00.
Scholarships: 1 Greenleaf; Wichita WMF 3; Wichita Mission 2.
No. of Proteges: Wichita Mission 1.

HELEN FINK, Synodical Treasurer.

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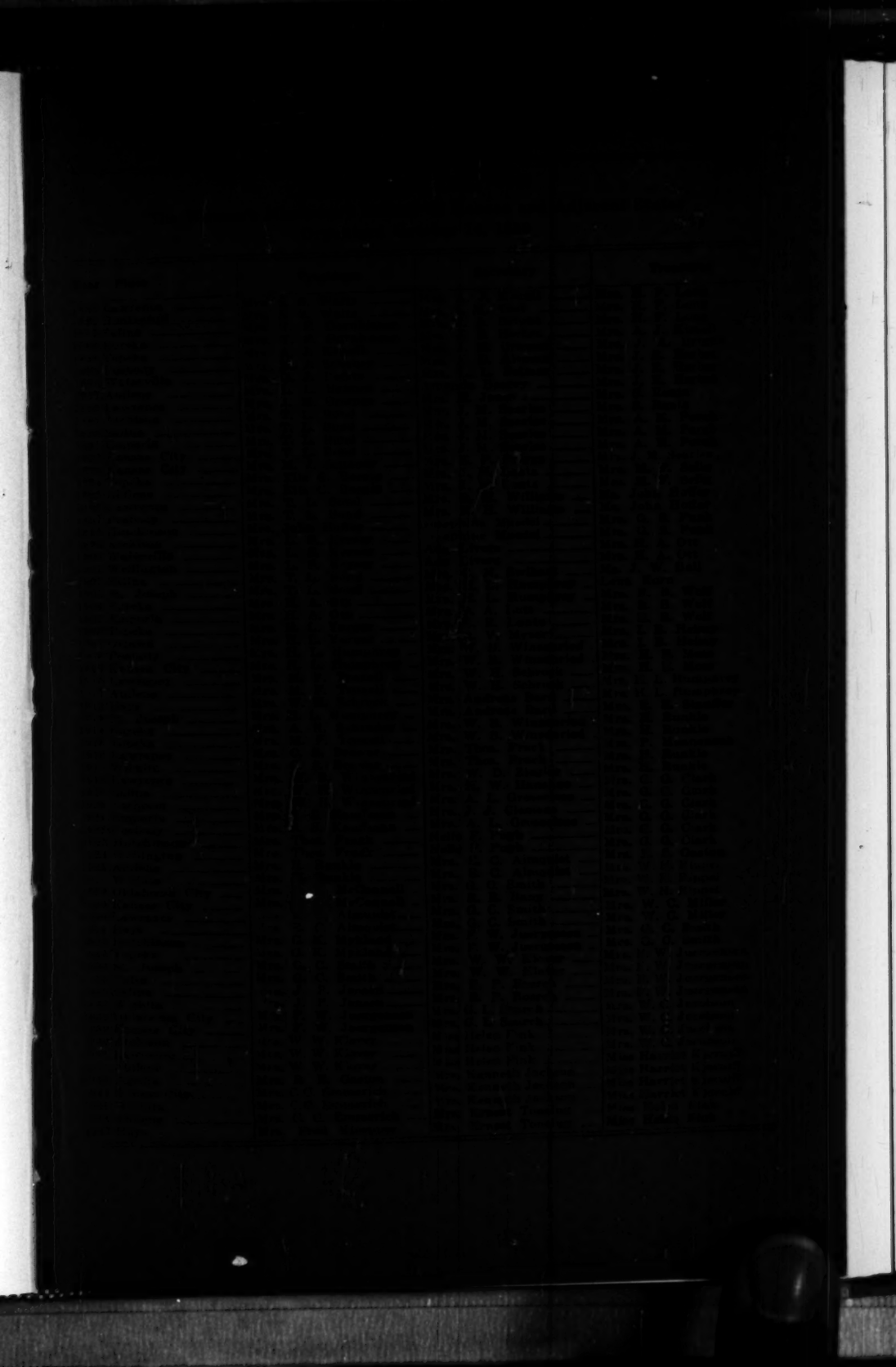

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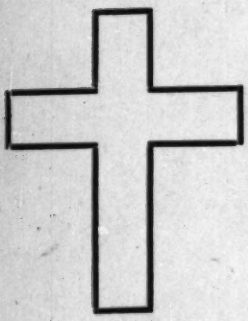

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